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TOWN OF NORTHFIELD
69 MAIN STREET
NORTHFIELD, MA 01360
(413) 498-2901

TOWN REPORT 2001

Mr. Paul H. Carpenter, Chair of the Honor Roll Committee

VETERANS' MEMORIAL MONUMENT

DEDICATED TO THOSE

WHO RESPONDED

TO THE CALL FOR FREEDOM

TOWN DEPARTMENTS, STAFF & HOURS

All Departments: Phone (413) 498-2901 Fax (413) 5103

Administrative Assistant
Susan Draves email: sdraves@crocker.com
Extension 15
Monday-Thursday 9-5 & Friday 9-1 pm
Fax: (413) 498-5103

Assessors Office
Carol Holden, Clerk
Extension 18
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 8-3:30 pm
Wednesday 8-2 & 6-8 pm, Friday, 9-noon

Building Inspector
James Hawkins
Extension 22
Tuesday & Thursday 6-7:30 pm

Council on Aging / Senior Center
Joanne Balzarini, Director
69 Main St. Town Hall Dining Room
Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 8 am - 1 pm
(413) 498-2186

Dickinson Memorial Library
Deb Kern, Director
email dmemlib@cwmars.org
115 Main St. (413) 498-2455
Tue 1-8 pm; Wed & Thurs 1-6 pm
Fri 10-6 pm; Sat. 10-3 pm

Police Department
Gary Sibilia, Chief
email: npd@crocker.com
(413) 498-5118 Fax: (413) 498-5115
Emergency 911
(413) 625-8200 Shelburne Control

Transfer Station
Kenneth Trask
31 Caldwell Road – Wednesday 10 - 6
Saturday 8 - 4 and Sunday 8 - Noon

Tax Collector/Treasurer
Barbara Brassor
Extension 13
Monday and Wednesday: 9 - 3
Wednesday 6 - 8 pm

Town Clerk
Gail Zukowski
Extension 12
Monday & Tuesday 9 - 5
Wednesday 4 - 8 pm

Town Secretary
Marilyn Gabriel
Extension 10
Monday - Friday 8 am - 12:30
1 - 4 pm

Town of Northfield

Massachusetts

Annual Report

For the year ending
December 31, 2001

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Town of Northfield Facts

Annual Town Meeting	First Monday in May
Annual Election	First Tuesday in May
Area Square Miles	40.32 square miles
Total Road Miles	68
Form of Government	Town Meeting
Tax Rate FY2002	$14.60
Population 2001	3139 (4/8/02)
Public Schools	Franklin County Technical School
	Northfield Elementary School
	Pioneer Valley Regional School
Private Schools	Linden Hill School
	Northfield Mt Hermon School

Meetings Held At Town Hall

Board of Assessors	1st & 3rd Wednesday @ 7 pm
Board of Health	2nd & 4th Wednesday @ 7 pm
Board of Selectmen	Every Tuesday @ 7 pm
Building Inspector	Tuesday & Thursday 6-7:30 pm
Conservation Commission	3rd Monday @ 7:30 pm
Council on Aging	3rd Thursday @ 10 am
Finance Committee	2nd Monday @ 7 pm
Historical Commission	2nd Thursday @ 7:30 pm
Planning Board	2nd Wednesday @ 7 pm
Recreation Commission	2nd Tuesday @ 6:30 pm
Senior Center	Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 8 - 1 pm
Sewer Commission	As posted or as needed
Zoning Board of Appeals	2nd Monday @ 7 pm Meeting

STATE & FEDERAL REPRESENTATIVES

Governor

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Holyoke, MA 01040
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1027 Longworth House Office Bldg.
Washington, DC 20515
(202) 225-5335

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Accountant: is appointed by the Board of Selectmen for a 3-yr term. The Accountant examines all bills, drafts, orders & payrolls for accuracy, legality & proper signatures; prepares warrants for submission to the Treasurer for payment; keeps a complete set of books of the Town, showing appropriations, amounts and purposes of expenditures; receipts from all sources and amount of assessments levied & abatements made; prepares monthly appropriation statements for all departments; receives all budgets in preparation for the next fiscal year and serves as liaison to, provides revenue statements, & works closely with, the Finance Committee and other Town officials in preparing the Town budget and in monitoring the Town's fiscal condition; prepares annual reports to the State & Town as required by law.

Administrative Assistant: is appointed by the Board of Selectmen. The Administrative Assistant implements & administers the wide range of policies and programs which come before the Board of Selectmen; researches & provides background for policy decisions; serves as liaison between the Selectmen's Office and other town departments, as well as with state and other municipal offices and the general public; contacts Town Counsel, with the approval of the Selectboard, prepares bid specifications for goods and services; assists with the budget and prepares grant applications.

Board of Assessors: The Board of Assessors is comprised of three members elected for a 3-year term. The Board meets every 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m., unless otherwise posted. The Assessors are required by Massachusetts Law to value all real & personal property based on "full & fair cash value" and are responsible for setting the tax rate; committing real & personal property to the Tax Collector; updating records for new construction; all abatements & motor vehicle excise; updating town tax maps & changes of address and reviewing all applications for abatements, exemptions & special land use qualifications.

Board of Health: is comprised of five members elected for a 3-year term. The Board meets every 2nd & 4th Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m., unless otherwise posted. They perform duties relative to the protection of public health, the control of disease, the promotion of sanitary living conditions & the protection of the environment from damage and pollution. Mandated duties include health care and disease control; enforcement of housing and dwelling codes; monitoring of and providing for hazardous waste disposal; monitoring the transfer station; enforcement of Title 5; investigating nuisances which may be injurious to health; enforcing the State Sanitary Code involving food service establishments & enforcing the State Environmental Code regarding safety and sanitation of pools & beaches. The Board of Health has a part-time Health Agent, through the Town's membership in the Eastern Franklin County Health District. This is a very valuable service to the Town and the Board of Health.

Board of Selectmen: The Selectboard is comprised of three members elected for a 3-year term. The Board meets every Tuesday night at 7:00 p.m., unless otherwise posted. The Selectboard are the Chief Administrative Officers of the town and supervise all matters that are not specifically delegated by law or vote to some other board or office. One of the most important functions of the Selectboard is the preparation of the Town Meeting warrant. The warrant is composed of articles outlining each subject on which the town meeting must vote. Articles for town finances, zoning changes, accepting funds and grants or disposing of property are a few examples of town warrant articles. Once voted, it is the responsibility of the Board to see to the implementation of the wishes of the voters. The Selectboard has the authority and responsibility to provide general policy direction, issue administrative orders, appoint and serve as hiring authority for most of the Town boards, committees and officials who administer Town government; engage and supervise Town legal counsel and approve actions; authorize all borrowing and all expenditures, including payroll; act as the Town licensing board, issuing alcohol, livery, auctioneer, and new and used car sales

licenses and common victualers; publish the Annual Town Report and oversee municipal property and risk management for the Town: and enter into contracts on behalf of the Town.

Building Commissioner and Zoning Officer: is appointed by the Board of Selectmen. The Commissioner works under the general supervision of the Selectmen, but has independent statutory authority under the state zoning & subdivision control laws for the issuance of permits under, and the enforcement of, the state building code. A major responsibility of the Zoning Officer is the interpretation & enforcement of local zoning to ensure compliance with zoning standards voted by Town Meeting. In cooperation with other Town Officials, he/she insures that public safety standards are met in all buildings, public & private, on the development that occurs within the Town.

Finance Committee: The Finance Committee is comprised of six members appointed by the Town Moderator for a 3-year term. The committee meets every 2nd Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m., unless otherwise posted. This committee is charged with the responsibility of providing guidance and recommendations to the Selectboard and to the community pertaining to fiscal matters. The committee initiates and conducts the budget process through the analysis of annual budgeting requests; meets with department heads and board chairs to review the budget requests which require close scrutiny; conducts one or more budget hearings or informational meetings *as/when required* prior to the Town Meeting; and provides recommendations for all expenditures at the Town Meeting.

Planning Board: The Planning Board is comprised of five members elected for a 5-year term. The Board meets every 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m., unless otherwise posted. The Board is mandated by state law to prepare & maintain the Town's Master Plan & Official Map; prepare, adopt & administer Subdivision Rules & Regulations; review all subdivision plans submitted under state & local by-laws & regulations; supervise construction of subdivision roads & drainage systems; prepare & present zoning amendments at Town Meeting; and review site plans for any changes in land use.

Tax Collector: The Tax Collector is elected for a 3-year term. After receiving a list and warrant from the Assessors, the Collector collects taxes, together with any interest due; reports to the Treasurer all taxes, including charges, fees and interest received and deposited in any bank and turns funds over to the Treasurer for deposit. The Collector maintains collection accounts on real estate, personal property and motor vehicle excise tax bills. Delinquent bills are subsequently billed by means of demand notices and a series of delinquency letters. Unpaid tax bills may be advertised and the property eventually foreclosed by the Town for nonpayment. Unpaid motor vehicle excise tax bills are reported to the Registry for non-renewal of license or registration.

Town Clerk: The Town Clerk is elected for a 3-year term. The Clerk serves as Chief Election Officer & Local Registrar of Vital Records & Statistics, including Birth, Marriage & Death certificates; records & certifies all official actions of the Town & manages public access to information; issues various licenses (i.e. marriage, dog, fishing); serves ex officio as a member of the Board of Registrars & is responsible for carrying out the functions of the Board in preparation, publication & circulation of lists of voters; prepares the annual street list & town census; submits all bylaws passed by Town Meeting to the State Attorney General for approval.

Treasurer: The Treasurer is elected for a 3-year term. The Treasurer receives all money from municipal departments, including the Tax Collector; deposits funds; borrows for cash flow purposes and for approved capital projects; expends and accounts for funds after proper approval of the Town Accountant and Board of Selectmen; pays employees and withholds and maintains records on taxes; maintains and reconciles all of the Town's bank accounts and investments; performs monthly cash reconciliation with the Accountant, as well as quarterly cash reconciliation

reports filed with the State Department of Revenue; and oversees foreclosure and tax title procedures turned over by the Tax Collector as a list of delinquent taxpayers.

Zoning Board of Appeals: The Zoning Board of Appeals is comprised of five regular members for a 5-year term & five alternate members for a 3-year term appointed by the Board of Selectmen. The Board meets every 2nd Monday for business meetings and as posted for hearings. The ZBA acts in a quasi-judicial capacity on the issuance of certain special permit applications; petitions for variances from the requirements of the Zoning By-laws & appeals from the acts of the Building Inspector, or from the failure of the Building Inspector to act in response to a complaint from a citizen. The Board has power to receive testimony under oath. Most decisions of the ZBA may be appealed by an aggrieved party to the District, Superior, or Land Court.

TOWN REPORT OFFICIALS 2001
ELECTED OFFICIALS

Board of Assessors – 3-yr. term

Ron Wickey, Chair	2003
Eugene L'Etoile	2004
Linwood Wallace	2002

Board of Health – 3-yr. term

Kathryn Bridges-Gray, Chair	2004
David R. Gibson	2002
Phillip Baker	2003
David Balk	2003
David Nadeau (resigned)	

Board of Selectmen – 3-yr. term

John G. Spanbauer, Chair	2003
Ronald F. Reid	2002
Alana Gadreault	2004

Constables – 3-yr. term

David Brassor	2004
James B. O'Shea	2004
John D. Ware	2004
Fredd M. Fuller	2004

Board of Library Trustees
3-yr. term

Jon McGowan, Chair	2002
Jane M. Lyle-Jaworski	2003
Kathleen B. Nutter	2003
Margot Fleck,	2004
Janet L. Wood	2004
John Cevasco	2002

Moderator – 3-yr. term

Thomas R. Shearer	2003

Pioneer Valley Regional School District Committee
Northfield Representatives – 4-yr. term

Patricia E. Shearer, Chair	2004
Jed Proujansky	2004
Mary Llewelyn	2002

Planning Board – 5-yr. term

David Balk, Chair	2002
Donald Campbell	2004
Bonnie L'Etoile	2004
Richard Parsons	2005
Matthew Duska	2006

Recreation Commission
3-yr. term

Deborah Taricano, Chair	2002
Andrew S. Harrison	2003
Kimberly Godfrey	2004
Stephen W. Bachinski	2004
Fern Bork	2004

Sewer Commission 3 yr term

Dan A. Gray, Chair	2004
Gary Sibilia	2002
Everett Wickline	2003

Tax Collector/Treasurer 3-yr. term

Barbara J. Brassor	2002

Town Clerk – 3-yr. term

Gail V. Zukowksi	2003

APPOINTED BY MODERATOR

Non Partisan Caucus Committee
Term ends 2001
Alfred Havens (resigned);
Robin Conley, John Jurkowski
William Jacoby

Finance Committee – 3-yr. term

Lois Stearns, Chair	2003
Chadwick Glover	2002
Jane Abbott	2002
Finance Cmte continued	
Reynold Henry	2003
David Yucavitch	2004
Penny Betsold	2004

Franklin County Technical School District 3 yr term
Albert N. Stone, Representative 2003

APPOINTED BY BOARD OF ASSESSORS

CLERK
Carol Holden

APPOINTED BY BOARD OF HEALTH

Animal Inspector 1 yr term
Daniel Arsenault 2002

Gas Piping & Gas Appliance and Plumbing Inspector 1-yr. term
Frank S. Turner 2001

APPOINTED BY NORTHFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Elementary School Council 1 yr term each September
Geraldine Smith, Principal & Chair
Wanda McIssac, Parent Representative, Amy Baver, NES Teacher ,
Cathy Hawkins-Harrison, Parent Representative,
Pam Lawrence, Secretary, Alana Gadreault, Parent Representative,
Ellen Hunter, Community Representative

APPOINTED BY DICKINSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Deb Kern, Director
Sharon Miller and Penney Betsold, Library Assistants
Kelly Brassor, Library Technician
Nell Champoux, Hannah Tyler and Anna Nutter, Pages
Tracy Rogers, Custodian

APPOINTED BY SELECTMEN

Accountant
Deborah Mero

Administrative Assistant
Susan Draves

Building Commissioner /Zoning Enforcer
James Hawkins

Building Utilization & Planning Committee
Reynold "Hank" Henry, Phyllis Derigon and Chad Glover

Cable TV Advisory Committee 2-yr. term

Brian Brault, Chair	2002
Judith Radebaugh	2002
Eileen Dowd	2002

Cable TV Renegotiating Committee

Brian Brault	2001
Eileen Dowd	2001
Neil Katz	2001
Bill McGee	2001
Ray McIsaac	2001
Kathleen Nutter	2001

Cable TV Transition Team
Neil Katz, Chair, Jack Spanbauer, Eileen Dowd, Kathleen Nutter, Judy Radebaugh

Clerk to Boards
Nancy Mayberry & Deana Prest

Conservation Commission 3 yr term

Charles Blanker, Chair	2002
Mary Ann Wozniak	2004
William Llewelyn	2002
William C. Walker	2002
David Quinn, Jr.	2003
Michelle Matteo	2003
William Gabriel	2004

Council on Aging 3-yr. term

Mary J. Porter, Chair	2002
Raymond J. Parenteau	2002
Cora Mae Rusk	2003
Gerald Tessier	2003
Shirley Nelson	2002
Mary Ann Wozniak	2002
Keith Olson	2004

Cultural Council (not to exceed 2 consecutive terms)

Anne Harlow, Chair	2002
Judy Clark	2003
Barbara Bowen	2002
John Foster	2004
Stephen Hussey	2002
Barbara Lemoine	2004
Jeannie Sisson	2004

Custodian
S. Edward Holloway

Dog Officer
Polly Severance

Election Officer

Jane Abbott	2002
Edwin Finch	2002
Edward Fortier	2002
Alice Fortier	2002
Betty Gibson	2002
Helen Gorzocoski	2002
Ruth Johnson	2002
Christine McCollester	2002
JoAnn Newton	2002
Judy Radebaugh	2002
Mary Taferner	2002
Richard F. Taferner	2002
Deborah Taricano	2002
Gail Zukowski, Town Clerk	2002

Emergency Medical Technicians 2002
Renee Lake, Paramedic & Director
Tom Bergeron, EMT
Amanda Hallett, First Responder
Spencer Bristol, First Responder
Sharon Clark, EMT Intermediate, Secretary
Jim Dresser, EMT
Lionel Gagnon, EMT
James Lake, Jr., EMT, Maintenance Officer
Robert Leighton, EMT
Chris Masloski, EMT
David Nadeau, EMT
Linda Shedd, Training Officer
Janet Wholey, EMT
James Winn, EMT
Mark Fortier, 1st Responder
Jill Fortier, 1st Responder

Fire Department
Floyd M. Dunnell, III, Fire Chief & Forest Fire Warden
David G. Quinn, Jr., Asst. Fire Chief & Deputy Fire Warden
Thomas Holton, Captain & Deputy Fire Warden
Rory Shippa, First Lieutenant & Deputy Fire Warden
Thomas Walker, Second Lieutenant
Steve Malsch, Third Lieutenant
Mark Fortier, Secretary/Treasurer

Other On-Call Firemen
David Adams, Carey Barton, Andy Boyden, Tim Dirth, James Dresser, Ian Field, Fredd Fuller, Jeff Grover, Russell Hudson, James Lake, John Lawrence, Mark McDonough, Scott Milton, Jay Nelson, Tom Newton, Steve O'Connell, Bob Odenbaugh, Devin Odenbaugh, John Otto, Michael Quinn, Peter Sibley, Jack Ware, Greg Williams.

Fred W. Wells Will Trustee 1 yr term

Theodore G. Penick	2001

Graves Officer 1 yr term

Charles Field	2001

Historical Commission

Jean Kozlowski, Chair	2003
Homer Stavely,	2001
Irene Jurkowski	2002
Alice Fortier	2003
Mary Jane Porter	2003
Edward M. Powell, Jr.	2003
Carolyn Spencer	2001
Marie Booth Ferre	2004

Highway Department

David "Mike" Gibson, Superintendent
Robert Beaubien
Thomas Bergeron, Foreman
William Lapine
Michael Sibley
Kenneth Trask, Transfer Station
Robert Shaw, Jr. Summer Help

Maintenance

Robert Beck

Main Street Sidewalk Committee

John Spanbauer, Alana Gadreault, Susan Draves, Jean Koslowski, Lisa White, David Balk, Steve Malsch, Laura DiBari, Kim Farmer, Kathleen Nutter, Kyp Wasiuk

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Gary M. Sibilia, Chief of Police – 3-yr. term 2003

Officers – 3-yr. term

Sgt. Robert F. Leighton	2002
Spencer Bristol	2002
David R. Clark	2002
William Forrest	2002
John Raymer	2002
Todd Roche	2002
John Waitkus	2002
Jason Carney	2002
Sean Eaton	2002

Auxiliary Officers for Emergency Assignments – 1 yr. term

Peter Brulotte	2002
David R. Gibson	2002
James B. O'Shea	2002
David G. Quinn, Sr.	2002
John D. Ware	2002

For Mutual Aid purposes: Expire Jan 2002

Gill PD: Chief David Hastings, Sgt. Christopher Redman & Officer Michael Krusiewski,
Erving PD: Chief John Paciorek, Sgt. Christopher Blair, Officer John Waitkus and Officer James Corbett

Matrons: Sandra Campbell and Andrea Dale

Secretaries: Sharon Wyers and Deana Prest

PUBLIC WEIGHERS – 1-yr. term

Brian Siano, Pierina Bolton, Renee Billiel, Lori Dew, Ron Laczynski, Craig Leonard, Bruce Symington

REGIONAL ORGANIZATIONS REPRESENTATIVES

Franklin Regional Council of Governments (FRCOG) Representative

Alfred "Bud" Havens

Franklin Regional Council of Governments (FRCOG) Planning Board Representative

Alana L. Gadreault
Ronald F. Reid, Alternate

Central Franklin County Veterans District Representative

Paul Carpenter

Franklin Regional Transit Authority

Ronald F. Reid

Franklin County Cooperative Inspection Program Representative

Bill Forrest

Franklin County Solid Waste District Representative

David Kaczenski

Registrars of Voters 3 yr term

Gail Zukowski, Town Clerk

Mary C. Taferner	2003
Ruth D. Johnson	2002
Edward Fortier	2002

Secretary at Town Hall

Marilyn Gabriel

Senior Center

Joanne Balzarini, Director - Mary Miller, Outreach - Marion Holbrook, Shine

Senior Center Study Committee

John Spanbauer, Susan Draves, Joanne Balzarini, Jane Monohon, Ted Powell, Phyllis Derrigon, Joanne McGee, Bruce Hunter and Mary Jane Porter

Trust Fund Committee

1-yr. term

Bud Havens, Marguerite Lentz, Carolyn Spencer, Alice Lord, Joyce Roberts

Franklin County Cooperative Inspection Program
Edward F. Marchefka, Wiring Inspector
Robert Graves, Alternate

Zoning Board of Appeals

Regular members – 5-yr. term

Dianne Salls, Chair	2005
John Nelson	2006
William Forrest	2003
Marguerite Lentz	2004
Edward Shearer	2007

Alternate members – 3-yr. term

Thomas J. Russell	2003
Raymond Clark	2003
Robert G. Barnes	2004
Laura DiBari	2001

APPOINTED BY THE BOARD OF SEWER COMMISSIONERS

Waste Water Treatment Plant
John "Jack" Patch, Operator

Thank You Thank You Thank You Thank You Thank You Thank You

This Annual Report is dedicated to the many Board and Committee members and employees who have given so generously of their time during 2001. Your Contribution of time and talents is especially appreciated. Northfield also thanks the following Volunteers whose terms have ended:

Karen Arsenault, Doris Balk, Kris Bowser, Brian Brault, Spencer Bristol, Lucille Dahlman, Phyllis Derigon, Lauri Dibari, Eileen Dowd, Philip Gallespie, Jesse Goguen, Eileen Gorzocoski, Helen Greene, Michael Grunwald, Arline Holloway, Robert Inglehart, Mary Johnson, Ruth Johnson, David Jurkowski, Neil Katz, Mary Ann Ladd, Renee Lake, Kathy Leonard, Eugene Leonard, Judith Loomis, Alice Lord, Christine McCollester, Joanne McGee, William McGee, David Nadeau, Guy Neuman, Kathleen Nutter, Linda Peck, David Radebaugh, Judith Radebaugh, Joyce Roberts, Milton Severance, Susan Sibilia, Carolyn Spencer, Sharon Weyers, Barbara White.

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ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT
TOWN OF NORTHFIELD
BALANCE SHEET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

GENERAL FUND

ASSETS				
Cash & Investments				
Gfld Co-op Bank- Checking			9,432	
Tax Collector Checking			200	
Gfld Co-op Bank- Sweep Acct.			1,022,675	
MMDT-Combined Investment			107,367	
State St- Oth S/T Inv			606,190	
Unibank Investment Acct.			409,953	
Cash Due To/From Oth Funds			97,110	2,252,927
Accounts Receivable				
Personal Property Taxes				
	1990	40		
	1991	43		
	1992	34		
	1993	37		
	1994	38		
	1995	64		
	1996	118		
	1997	122		
	1998	222		
	1999	225		
	2000	255		
	2001	400	1,598	
Real Estate Taxes				
	1999	1,365		
	2000	23,707		
	2001	71,929		
	2002	(277)	96,724	
Allowance for Abate & Exempt				
	1990	(40)		
	1991	(43)		
	1992	(34)		
	1993	(37)		
	1994	(38)		
	1995	(151)		
	1996	(207)		
	1997	(264)		
	1998	(12,179)		
	1999	(8,170)		
	2000	(12,514)		
	2001	(11,628)	(45,305)	53,017
Tax Liens			41,834	41,834
Motor Vehicle Excise			39,427	
Boat Excise			230	
Farm Animal Excise			480	40,137
Sewer Use	2000		4,917	
	2001		(542)	
Sewer Liens			2,189	6,564
Other Assets				
Prepaid Expenses				419
Tax Foreclosures				1,370
				2,396,268

LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCE		
Warrants Payable		570,424
Accounts Payable		1,173
Accrued Payrolls Payable		8,213
Fees Payable		671
Payroll Withholdings		4,757
Other Liabilities		
Due to Cty/Dog Lic	15	
Unclaimed Checks	3,566	
Bid Bonds	3,941	7,522
Deferred Revenue		
Property Taxes 1995	(87)	
Property Taxes 1996	(89)	
Property Taxes 1997	(142)	
Property Taxes 1998	(11,956)	
Property Taxes 1999	(6,580)	
Property Taxes 2000	11,447	
Property Taxes 2001	60,701	
Property Taxes 2002	(277)	
Tax Liens	41,834	
Tax Foreclosures	1,370	
Motor Vehicle Excise	39,427	
Other Excise	710	
Sewer Use	4,375	
Sewer Liens	2,189	142,922
Fund Balance		
Res-Debt Excl Ammort	43,438	
Res-Continuing Approps	358,758	
Res-Over/Under Assessmt	(2,600)	
Res-Expenditures	475,000	
Unreserved	785,990	1,660,586
		2,396,268

HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENTS FUND

ASSETS		LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCE	
Cash- due to/from Genl Fund	(197,657)	Accounts Payable	0
Due from Comm of Mass	666,271	Deferred Revenue	666,271
		Fund Bal-Ch85A	(3,890)
		Fund Bal-Ch85B	(16,696)
		Fund Bal-Ch204	7
		Fund Bal-Ch113A	(70,619)
		Fund Bal-Ch113B	(73,764)
		Fund Bal-Ch11	(12,689)
		Fund Bal-Ch53A	(20,006)
	468,614		468,614

TOWN GRANTS FUND

ASSETS		LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCE	
Arts Council Savings	1,528	Accounts Payable	420
Cash-due from Genl Fund	22,452	Accrued Payrolls Payable	180
		Fund Balances	
		Arts Council	2,063
		Cops More	312
		Cmty Policing	446
		Police Reg Stdy	1,000
		DARE	5,662
		COA	1,660
		Library LIG/MEG	4,020
		Title V Septic	8,217
	23,980		23,980

RECEIPTS RESERVED FOR APPROPRIATION

ASSETS		LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCE	
Cash-Due from General Fund	61,632	Fund Balances	
		Road Mach Earnings	7,006
		Sale of Real Estate	5,569
		Sale Low Value Land	98
		Sale of Cem Lots	42,634
		County Dog Fund	6,325
	61,632		61,632

REVOLVING FUNDS AND GIFTS

ASSETS		LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCE		
Recreation Checking	9,626	Warrants Payable		0
Ladder Fund Savings	5,573	Accounts Payable		0
Cash-Due from Genl Fund	13,079	Unclaimed Cks- Rec Revolv		40
		Fund Balances		
		Rec Revolv	9,389	
		Ladder Gifts	5,573	
		Police Gifts	46	
		Dare Donations	214	
		Drug Forfeiture	8	
		Childrens Book Gifts	907	
		Historical Comm Gift	57	
		Maint Cem Markers	580	
		Library Gifts	1,168	
		Misc. Donations	16	
		Cable TV Revolv	1,563	
		EMT Gifts	170	
		COA Gifts	3,945	
		NHM Emerg Serv	5	
		Cons Comm Fees	3,876	
		Map Framing Gifts	105	
		Great BBQ	616	28,238
	28,278			

INFIL/INFLOW SEWER

ASSETS			LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCE		
Cash-Due from General Fund	37		Warrants Payable	0	
Due from Stabilization Fund	1,802		Fund Balance	1,839	
		1,839			1,839

TRUST FUNDS

ASSETS			LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCE			
M Alexander-Checking	9,774		Accounts Payable		0	
M Alexander-CDs	77,550		Accrued Payrolls Payable		207	
P. Bowman-Invest. Acct	79,887		Fund Balances- Non Expendable			
Trust Funds- Invest. Acct	208,237		PC Center Cem	15,638		
Cash-Due from Genl Fund	1,337		Belcher Cem	2,000		
		376,785	J Cowles Cem	2,000		
			C Stearns Cem	500		
			F Lane Cem	202		
			PC West Nfld Cem	5,802		
			Priest, et ux Cem	7,292		
			L Holton Cem	101		
			PC Nlfd Farms	7,727		
			PC Mt Hermon Cem	4,975		
			M Callander Cem	500		
			PC Pentecost Cem	4,475		
			PC So. Mtn. Cem	100		
			Bowman Library	78,193		
			Belcher Library	9,739		
			C Dickinson Library	3,000		
			M Montague Library	2,010		
			DAR Book Fund	100		
			Holton Library	500		
			McGowan Library	8,083		
			Charity- Various	21,450		
			Surplus Rev- School	1,600		
			Belcher Ctr. School	2,000	177,987	
			Fund Balances-Expendable			
			PC Center Cem	12,338		
			PC West Nfld Cem	(236)		
			PC Nlfd Farms	3,278		
			PC Mt Hermon Cem	4,576		
			PC Pentecost Cem	556		
			PC So. Mtn. Cem	49		
			Bowman Library	1,566		
			Belcher Library	4,167		
			C Dickinson Library	1,242		
			M Montague Library	1,562		
			DAR Book Fund	174		
			Holton Library	450		
			Merriman Library	1,418		
			E Jackson Library	377		
			M Stanley Library	562		
			R Giles Library	2,624		
			McGowan Library	1,466		
			Library Bldg Fund	4,140		
			M Alexander Charity	80,373		
			L Evans Charity	6,797		
			G Morgan Charity	12,036		
			R Evans Charity	2,649		
			M Starkweather Char	36,669		
			E Alexander Charity	11,739		
			Surplus Rev- School	857		
			Belcher Ctr. School	2,701		
			E Jackson- Town	1,844		
			W Parker-Mnt Mrkrs	1,773		
		376,785	Tercentenary Comm	844	198,591	376,785

STABILIZATION FUND

ASSETS		LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCE		
MMDT Investment Acct	176,833	Due to I/I Sewer Project	1,802	
		Fund Balance	175,031	
	176,833			176,833

AGENCY FUNDS

ASSETS		LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCE	
Cash-Due from General Fund	2,010	Police Outside Detail Payable	2,010

GENERAL LONG TERM DEBT

ASSETS		LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCE		
		Bonds-Issued 7/92 School	1,530,000	
		Bonds-Issued 7/92 Sewer	180,000	
Amts to be Provided for Pmt of Debt	2,186,215	Bonds-Issued 7/93 Sewer	476,215	2,186,215

COMBINED STATEMENT OF
REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, & CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
ALL ACCOUNT TYPES
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

	General Fund	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Trust Funds	Total (Memorandum)
Revenues					
Taxes	3,484,164	0	0	0	3,484,164
Charges for Services	180,492	10,418	0	0	190,910
Licenses & Permits	38,518	456	0	0	38,974
Fines & Forfeitures	36,965	0	0	0	36,965
Other Deptmntal Revenue	0	2,090	0	0	2,090
Revenue from the State	713,243	143,782	0	0	857,025
Other Intergovmtal Revenue	0	23,809	0	0	23,809
Miscellaneous Revenue	82,966	1,051	0	0	84,017
Interest on Investments	59,544	232	0	26,657	86,433
Contributions & Donations	0	4,241	0	875	5,116
Total Revenues	4,595,892	186,079	0	27,532	4,809,503
Expenditures					
General Government	305,594	1,055	0	0	306,649
Public Safety	270,402	101,958	0	0	372,360
Education	2,513,214	0	0	0	2,513,214
Public Works & Facilities	661,590	207,105	0	6,612	875,307
Health & Human Services	26,984	5,946	0	500	33,430
Culture & Recreation	93,980	18,441	0	3,624	116,045
Capital Outlay	0	0	0	0	0
Debt Principal	215,149	0	0	0	215,149
Debt Interest	133,102	0	0	0	133,102
Temporary Loan Interest	0	0	0	0	0
Intergovmtal Assessments	32,324	0	0	0	32,324
Insurance & Empl Benefits	191,394	0	0	0	191,394
Total Expenditures	4,443,732	334,505	0	10,736	4,788,973
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	152,160	########	0	16,796	20,530
Other financing sources (uses)		0	0	0	0
Transfers from other Funds	0	3,452	0	0	3,452
Transfers to other Funds	(1,000)	(2,452)	0	0	(3,452)
Proceeds from Bond Issue	0	0	0	0	0
Total other financing sources (uses)	(1,000)	1,000	0	0	0
Excess of revenues & other sources over (under) expenditures & other uses	151,160	########	0	16,796	20,530
Fund Balance June 30, 2000	1,509,426	63,017	1,839	534,812	2,109,094
Fund Balance June 30, 2001	1,660,586	(84,409)	1,839	551,608	2,129,624

COMBINING STATEMENT OF
REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, & CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

	Ch 90 Hwy Imprvmnt	COPS Fast	COPS More	State aid to Library	Arts Council
Revenues					
Taxes					
Charges for Services					
Licenses & Permits					
Fines & Forfeitures					
Other Deptmntal Revenue					
Revenue from the State	63,405			4,188	3,300
Other Intergovmtal Revenue		17,384	5,301		
Miscellaneous Revenue					
Interest on Investments					55
Contributions & Donations					
Total Revenues	63,405	17,384	5,301	4,188	3,355
Expenditures					
General Government					
Public Safety		16,857	5,580		
Education					
Public Works & Facilities	207,105				
Health & Human Services					
Culture & Recreation				4,764	3,357
Capital Outlay					
Debt Principal					
Debt Interest					
Temporary Loan Interest					
Intergovmtal Assessments					
Insurance & Empl Benefits					
Total Expenditures	207,105	16,857	5,580	4,764	3,357
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	(143,700)	527	(279)	(576)	(2)
Other financing sources (uses)					
Transfers from other Funds		2,452	1,000		
Transfers to other Funds					
Proceeds from Bond Issue					
Total other financing sources (uses)	0	2,452	1,000	0	0
Excess of revenues & other sources over (under) expenditures & other uses	(143,700)	2,979	721	(576)	(2)
Fund Balance June 30, 2000	(53,958)	(2,979)	(409)	4,596	2,065
Fund Balance June 30, 2001	(197,658)	0	312	4,020	2,063

	Elderly Programs	Fire Safety	Title V Septic	Pol Regliz Study	DARE Grants
Revenues					
Taxes					
Charges for Services					
Licenses & Permits					
Fines & Forfeitures					
Other Deptmntal Revenue					
Revenue from the State	3,920	14,844			12,000
Other Intergovmtal Revenue					
Miscellaneous Revenue					
Interest on Investments					
Contributions & Donations					
Total Revenues	3,920	14,844	0	0	12,000
Expenditures					
General Government					
Public Safety		14,844			6,771
Education					
Public Works & Facilities					
Health & Human Services	4,676		1,270		
Culture & Recreation					
Capital Outlay					
Debt Principal					
Debt Interest					
Temporary Loan Interest					
Intergovmtal Assessments					
Insurance & Empl Benefits					
Total Expenditures	4,676	14,844	1,270	0	6,771
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	(756)	0	(1,270)	0	5,229
Other financing sources (uses)					
Transfers from other Funds					
Transfers to other Funds					
Proceeds from Bond Issue					
Total other financing sources (uses)	0	0	0	0	0
Excess of revenues & other sources over (under) expenditures & other uses	(756)	0	(1,270)	0	5,229
Fund Balance June 30, 2000	2,415	0	9,487	1,000	433
Fund Balance June 30, 2001	1,659	0	8,217	1,000	5,662

	Community Policing	Police Vest Reimb	County Dog Fund	Sale of R.E.	Sale of Cem Lots
Revenues					
Taxes					
Charges for Services					
Licenses & Permits					
Fines & Forfeitures					
Other Deptmntal Revenue					1,675
Revenue from the State	42,125				
Other Intergovmtal Revenue			1,124		
Miscellaneous Revenue					
Interest on Investments					
Contributions & Donations					
Total Revenues	42,125	0	1,124	0	1,675
Expenditures					
General Government					
Public Safety	53,993				
Education					
Public Works & Facilities					
Health & Human Services					
Culture & Recreation					
Capital Outlay					
Debt Principal					
Debt Interest					
Temporary Loan Interest					
Intergovmtal Assessments					
Insurance & Empl Benefits					
Total Expenditures	53,993	0	0	0	0
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	(11,868)	0	1,124	0	1,675
Other financing sources (uses)					
Transfers from other Funds					
Transfers to other Funds	(2,452)				
Proceeds from Bond Issue					
Total other financing sources (uses)	(2,452)	0	0	0	0
Excess of revenues & other sources over (under) expenditures & other uses	(14,320)	0	1,124	0	1,675
Fund Balance June 30, 2000	14,766	0	5,201	5,569	40,959
Fund Balance June 30, 2001	446	0	6,325	5,569	42,634

	Machine Earnings	Sale Low Val Land	Rec Revolving	Great BBQ	Cable TV Revolving
Revenues					
Taxes					
Charges for Services			10,418		
Licenses & Permits					456
Fines & Forfeitures					
Other Deptmntal Revenue					
Revenue from the State					
Other Intergovmtal Revenue					
Miscellaneous Revenue					
Interest on Investments			54		
Contributions & Donations				1,415	
Total Revenues	0	0	10,472	1,415	456
Expenditures					
General Government					
Public Safety					
Education					
Public Works & Facilities					
Health & Human Services					
Culture & Recreation			6,398	2,680	0
Capital Outlay					
Debt Principal					
Debt Interest					
Temporary Loan Interest					
Intergovmtal Assessments					
Insurance & Empl Benefits					
Total Expenditures	0	0	6,398	2,680	0
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	0	0	4,074	(1,265)	456
Other financing sources (uses)					
Transfers from other Funds					
Transfers to other Funds					
Proceeds from Bond Issue					
Total other financing sources (uses)	0	0	0	0	0
Excess of revenues & other sources over (under) expenditures & other uses	0	0	4,074	(1,265)	456
Fund Balance June 30, 2000	7,006	98	5,315	1,881	1,107
Fund Balance June 30, 2001	7,006	98	9,389	616	1,563

	Conserv Comm Fees	Map Frame & Misc Gift	Pol Dpt Gifts	DARE Prog Donations	Ladder Fnd Donations
Revenues					
Taxes					
Charges for Services					
Licenses & Permits					
Fines & Forfeitures					
Other Deptmntal Revenue	415				
Revenue from the State					
Other Intergovmtal Revenue					
Miscellaneous Revenue					
Interest on Investments					123
Contributions & Donations			65	492	
Total Revenues	415	0	65	492	123
Expenditures					
General Government		4			
Public Safety			364	278	
Education					
Public Works & Facilities					
Health & Human Services					
Culture & Recreation					
Capital Outlay					
Debt Principal					
Debt Interest					
Temporary Loan Interest					
Intergovmtal Assessments					
Insurance & Empl Benefits					
Total Expenditures	0	4	364	278	0
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	415	(4)	(299)	214	123
Other financing sources (uses)					
Transfers from other Funds					
Transfers to other Funds					
Proceeds from Bond Issue					
Total other financing sources (uses)	0	0	0	0	0
Excess of revenues & other sources over (under) expenditures & other uses	415	(4)	(299)	214	123
Fund Balance June 30, 2000	3,461	125	345	0	5,450
Fund Balance June 30, 2001	3,876	121	46	214	5,573

	C.O.A. Gifts	Vt Yankee Training	Library Gifts	Childrens Book Fund	Library Centennial
Revenues					
Taxes					
Charges for Services					
Licenses & Permits					
Fines & Forfeitures					
Other Deptmntal Revenue					
Revenue from the State					
Other Intergovmtal Revenue					
Miscellaneous Revenue					
Interest on Investments					
Contributions & Donations	467	432	220		
Total Revenues	467	432	220	0	0
Expenditures					
General Government		432			
Public Safety					
Education					
Public Works & Facilities					
Health & Human Services					
Culture & Recreation			1,128		70
Capital Outlay					
Debt Principal					
Debt Interest					
Temporary Loan Interest					
Intergovmtal Assessments					
Insurance & Empl Benefits					
Total Expenditures	0	432	1,128	0	70
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	467	0	(908)	0	(70)
Other financing sources (uses)					
Transfers from other Funds					
Transfers to other Funds					
Proceeds from Bond Issue					
Total other financing sources (uses)	0	0	0	0	0
Excess of revenues & other sources over (under) expenditures & other uses	467	0	(908)	0	(70)
Fund Balance June 30, 2000	3,477	0	2,077	907	70
Fund Balance June 30, 2001	3,944	0	1,169	907	0

	Historic Comm Gift	Drug Forfeiture	Vt Yankee Civil Defense	NMH Emerg Serv Gift	EMT Gifts
Revenues					
Taxes					
Charges for Services					
Licenses & Permits					
Fines & Forfeitures					
Other Deptmntal Revenue					
Revenue from the State					
Other Intergovmtal Revenue					
Miscellaneous Revenue					
Interest on Investments					
Contributions & Donations			1,000		150
Total Revenues	0	0	1,000	0	150
Expenditures					
General Government					
Public Safety			1,000	1,839	
Education					
Public Works & Facilities					
Health & Human Services					
Culture & Recreation					
Capital Outlay					
Debt Principal					
Debt Interest					
Temporary Loan Interest					
Intergovmtal Assessments					
Insurance & Empl Benefits					
Total Expenditures	0	0	1,000	1,839	0
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	0	0	0	(1,839)	150
Other financing sources (uses)					
Transfers from other Funds					
Transfers to other Funds					
Proceeds from Bond Issue					
Total other financing sources (uses)	0	0	0	0	0
Excess of revenues & other sources over (under) expenditures & other uses	0	0	0	(1,839)	150
Fund Balance June 30, 2000	57	8	0	1,844	20
Fund Balance June 30, 2001	57	8	0	5	170

	Gft Maint Cem Mrkrs	Hist Soc Restit	Insurance Settlements	Grand Total Special Revenue
Revenues				
Taxes				0
Charges for Services				10,418
Licenses & Permits				456
Fines & Forfeitures				0
Other Deptmntal Revenue				2,090
Revenue from the State				143,782
Other Intergovmtal Revenue				23,809
Miscellaneous Revenue			1,051	1,051
Interest on Investments				232
Contributions & Donations				4,241
Total Revenues	0	0	1,051	186,079
Expenditures				
General Government			1,051	1,055
Public Safety				101,958
Education				0
Public Works & Facilities				207,105
Health & Human Services				5,946
Culture & Recreation		44		18,441
Capital Outlay				0
Debt Principal				0
Debt Interest				0
Temporary Loan Interest				0
Intergovmtal Assessments				0
Insurance & Empl Benefits				0
Total Expenditures	0	44	1,051	334,505
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	0	(44)	0	########
Other financing sources (uses)				
Transfers from other Funds				3,452
Transfers to other Funds				(2,452)
Proceeds from Bond Issue				0
Total other financing sources (uses)	0	0	0	1,000
Excess of revenues & other sources over (under) expenditures & other uses	0	(44)	0	########
Fund Balance June 30, 2000	580	44	0	63,017
Fund Balance June 30, 2001	580	0	0	(84,409)

COMBINING STATEMENT OF
REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, & CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

	Infil/Inflow Sewer	Grand Total Capital Projects
Revenues		
Taxes		0
Charges for Services		0
Licenses & Permits		0
Fines & Forfeitures		0
Other Deptmntal Revenue		0
Revenue from the State		0
Other Intergovmtal Revenue		0
Miscellaneous Revenue		0
Interest on Investments		0
Contributions & Donations		0
Total Revenues	0	0
Expenditures		
General Government		0
Public Safety		0
Education		0
Public Works & Facilities		0
Health & Human Services		0
Culture & Recreation		0
Capital Outlay		0
Debt Principal		0
Debt Interest		0
Temporary Loan Interest		0
Intergovmtal Assessments		0
Insurance & Empl Benefits		0
Total Expenditures	0	0
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	0	0
Other financing sources (uses)		0
Transfers from other Funds		0
Transfers to other Funds		0
Proceeds from Bond Issue		0
Total other financing sources (uses)	0	0
Excess of revenues & other sources over (under) expenditures & other uses	0	0
Fund Balance June 30, 2000	1,839	1,839
Fund Balance June 30, 2001	1,839	1,839

COMBINING STATEMENT OF
REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, & CHANGES IN FUND BAL
TRUST FUNDS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

	Cemetery P C Funds	Library Trust Funds	Other Trust Funds	Stabiliz Fund
Revenues				
Taxes				
Charges for Services				
Licenses & Permits				
Fines & Forfeitures				
Other Deptmntal Revenue				
Revenue from the State				
Other Intergovmtal Revenue				
Miscellaneous Revenue				
Interest on Investments	3,202	5,421	8,031	10,003
Contributions & Donations	875			
Total Revenues	4,077	5,421	8,031	10,003
Expenditures				
General Government				
Public Safety				
Education				
Public Works & Facilities	6,612			
Health & Human Services			500	
Culture & Recreation		3,624		
Capital Outlay				
Debt Principal				
Debt Interest				
Temporary Loan Interest				
Intergovmtal Assessments				
Insurance & Empl Benefits				
Total Expenditures	6,612	3,624	500	0
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	(2,535)	1,797	7,531	10,003
Other financing sources (uses)				
Transfers from other Funds				
Transfers to other Funds				
Proceeds from Bond Issue				
Total other financing sources (uses)	0	0	0	0
Excess of revenues & other sources over (under) expenditures & other uses	(2,535)	1,797	7,531	10,003
Fund Balance June 30, 2000	74,408	119,575	175,801	165,028
Fund Balance June 30, 2001	71,873	121,372	183,332	175,031

	Grand Total Trust Funds
Revenues	
Taxes	0
Charges for Services	0
Licenses & Permits	0
Fines & Forfeitures	0
Other Deptmntal Revenue	0
Revenue from the State	0
Other Intergovmtal Revenue	0
Miscellaneous Revenue	0
Interest on Investments	26,657
Contributions & Donations	875
Total Revenues	27,532
Expenditures	
General Government	0
Public Safety	0
Education	0
Public Works & Facilities	6,612
Health & Human Services	500
Culture & Recreation	3,624
Capital Outlay	0
Debt Principal	0
Debt Interest	0
Temporary Loan Interest	0
Intergovmtal Assessments	0
Insurance & Empl Benefits	0
Total Expenditures	10,736
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	16,796
Other financing sources (uses)	
Transfers from other Funds	0
Transfers to other Funds	0
Proceeds from Bond Issue	0
Total other financing sources (uses)	0
Excess of revenues & other sources over (under) expenditures & other uses	16,796
Fund Balance June 30, 2000	534,812
Fund Balance June 30, 2001	551,608

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DETAIL REVENUE REPORT- GENERAL FUND July 1, 2000 - June 30, 2001

Taxes		
Personal Property Taxes	212,180	
Real Estate Taxes	2,967,876	
Tax Liens Redeemed	6,280	
Ch 61 & 61A Special Assessments	873	
Motor Vehicle Excise	262,587	
Boat Excise	405	
Farm Animal Excise	3,738	
Classified Forest Lands Excise	57	
Penalty & Int, Prop Taxes	13,413	
Penalty & Int, Excise Taxes	1,495	
Penalty & Int, Sewer Use Tax	260	
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	15,000	3,484,164
Charges for Services		
Sewer Use	134,294	
Sewer Dumping Fees	0	
Sewer Permanent Privilege	2,150	
Transfer Station	20,323	
Use of Copy Machine	635	
Use of Fax Machine-Library	92	
Street Lists, Bylaws, Maps	421	
Accident Reports	145	
RMV Non-Renewal Fees	1,320	
Building Inspection Fees	385	
Fire Department Inspections	870	
Admin Fee-Police Outside Detail	5,764	
Board of Appeals Fees	250	
Conservation Commission Fees	54	
Planning Board Fees	131	
Certificate Filing-Tax Liens	78	
Assessors Filing Fees	0	
Town Hall Rent	80	
Cell Tower Lease	13,500	180,492
Licenses & Permits		
Alcoholic Bev Licenses	1,510	
Other Licenses	700	
Other Misc Permits	180	
F.I.D. & Pistol Permits	837	
Building Permits	20,431	
Wiring Permits	5,415	
Gas Permits	1,198	
Plumbing Permits	2,552	
Disposal & Septic Permits	5,245	
Other Bd of Health Permits	450	38,518

Fines & Forfeitures			
Court Fines	1,132		
Registry Motor Veh- CMVI Fines	34,327		
Non-criminal Dispositions	0		
Library Fines	746		
Dog Fines	610		
False Alarms	100		
By-law Violation Fines	50	36,965	
State Revenue			
Expanded Polling Hours	243		
State Owned Land	39,716		
Abatements- Veterans, Blind, Elderly	11,495		
School Construction Aid	181,855		
Police Career Incentive	1,526		
Lottery, Beano & Charity	346,171		
Highway Fund- Ch81	62,306		
Emergency Management Aid	53,389		
Sewer Rate Relief	16,542	713,243	
Miscellaneous Revenues & Interest			
FCRHA-EOCD Hsg Rehab Loan Repmts	78,543		
MRF Recycling Reimb.	1,895		
Other Misc Revenue	2,528		
Interest on Investments	59,544	142,510	
TOTAL REVENUES			4,595,892
Other Financing Sources			
Trsf from Other Special Revenue Funds	0		
Trsf from Stabilization Fund	0		
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			0

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	ORIGINAL BUDGET	ADJ/TRSFS	SPENT	BALANCE TO CLOSE	BALANCE TO FY 02
MODERATOR SALARY	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00
MODERATOR EXPENSE	80.00		80.00	0.00	0.00
SELECTMEN SALARIES	4447.00		4447.00	0.00	0.00
ADMIN ASST SALARY	38854.00		38144.28	709.72	0.00
SECRETARY SALARY	25064.00		24588.08	475.92	0.00
SELECTMEN EXPENSE	8650.00		7142.55	1507.45	0.00
ADMIN ASST EXPENSE	1000.00		107.05	892.95	0.00
FINANCE COMM EXPENSE	846.00	355.69	1178.04	23.65	0.00
RESERVE FUND	10000.00	-9135.96	0.00	864.04	0.00
ACCOUNTANT SALARY	17742.00		17742.00	0.00	0.00
ACCOUNTANT EXPENSE	335.00		105.58	229.42	0.00
ASSESSORS SALARIES	4992.00		4933.50	58.50	0.00
ASSESSORS CLERK SALARY	24673.00		24672.96	0.04	0.00
ASSESSORS EXPENSE	8727.00		7572.75	1154.25	0.00
PRESERVE ASSESS RECORDS	8275.00		8000.00	0.00	275.00
ASSESSORS DIGITAL MAPS	1249.00		400.00	0.00	849.00
APPRAISAL NFLD MTN PROJ	2070.00		2000.00	70.00	0.00
ASSESSORS COMPUTER	23100.00		0.00	0.00	23100.00
ASSESSORS REVALUATION	650.00		650.00	0.00	0.00
TREASURER SALARY	8117.00		8116.92	0.08	0.00
TREASURER EXPENSE	3500.00		2914.52	585.48	0.00
TAX COLLECTOR SALARY	8117.00		8116.92	0.08	0.00
TAX COLLECTOR EXPENSE	5000.00		3983.89	1016.11	0.00
TOWN LEGAL COUNSEL	17600.00		7474.74	10125.26	0.00
LEGAL EXPENSE-PRIOR YR	0.00	175.00	175.00	0.00	0.00
COMPUTER SUPPLY/SERVICE	6750.00		5665.74	1084.26	0.00
COMPUTERS 5/98	3952.06		553.00	0.00	3399.06
TAX TITLE FORECLOSURE	2300.00	1125.52	3425.52	0.00	0.00
COPY MACHINE SUPPL/SERVICE	1800.00	107.92	1907.92	0.00	0.00
TTY DEVICE	250.00		250.00	0.00	0.00
CLERK/SECY REPL TRAINING	1055.37		703.48	351.89	0.00
TOWN CLERK SALARY	16398.00		16398.00	0.00	0.00
TOWN CLERK EXPENSE	1700.00		1353.44	346.56	0.00
TOWN CLERK EXPENSE-PRIOR YR	0.00	54.00	54.00	0.00	0.00
TOWN CLERK RECORDS	1721.44		0.00	0.00	1721.44
ELECTIONS & REGISTRATIONS	6000.00		5257.73	742.27	0.00
CONSERV COMMISSION	1682.00		930.53	751.47	0.00
PLANNING BOARD	910.00	261.93	1171.93	0.00	0.00
ZONING/APPEALS BOARD	800.00		280.67	519.33	0.00
ZONING/APPEALS BOARD- PRIOR YR	0.00	30.48	30.48	0.00	0.00
LAND DAMAGES	1.00		0.00	1.00	0.00
MASS A.P.R. PROGRAM	15000.00		0.00	0.00	15000.00
PLANNING GRANT MATCH	1000.00		0.00	0.00	1000.00
CLARIFY BYLAWS	5000.00		0.00	0.00	5000.00
TOWN HALL CUSTODIAN	8893.00		8269.32	623.68	0.00
BLDG MAINT PERSON	28018.00		28017.61	0.39	0.00
BLDG MAINT PERSON EXPENSE	1000.00		997.40	2.60	0.00
CUSTODIAN EXPENSE	200.00		17.36	182.64	0.00
TOWN HALL MAINT	18650.00		15665.97	2984.03	0.00
TOWN HALL WIRING	3501.01		0.00	0.00	3501.01
TOWN HALL SEAL WALL	4800.00		0.00	0.00	4800.00
TOWN HALL ROOF STM 6/97 & ATM 5/99	10000.00		0.00	0.00	10000.00
TOWN HALL CODE VIOLATIONS	1174.68		0.00	0.00	1174.68
TOWN HALL LTG FIXTURES	344.06		0.00	344.06	0.00
STABILIZE PINE ST.BLDG.	7801.57		7801.57	0.00	0.00
DESIGN ELEVATOR & HANDICAPPED	36000.00		0.00	0.00	36000.00
TELEPHONE SYSTEM	10000.00		9860.87	139.13	0.00
TOWN HALL BOILER	0.00	12985.33	12985.33	0.00	0.00
TOWN REPORTS	3800.00		616.54	3183.46	0.00
TOWN CLOCK	150.00		150.00	0.00	0.00
REPAIR TOWN CLOCK	479.27	510.78	990.05	0.00	0.00
PERSONNEL STUDY	9000.00		7300.00	0.00	1700.00
SURVEY TOWN HALL LOT	2000.00		1888.00	112.00	0.00
DERELICT HOUSE	20000.00		505.42	0.00	19494.58

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POLICE WAGES & SALARIES	116108.00	2552.05	118660.05	0.00	0.00
POLICE OPER EXPENSE	19300.00	342.17	19642.17	0.00	0.00
POLICE STATION	105000.00		0.00	0.00	105000.00
FIRE DEPT SALARIES	4006.00		3901.00	105.00	0.00
FIRE DEPT WAGES	16170.00		16160.71	9.29	0.00
FIRE DEPT OPER EXP	10150.00		9729.12	420.88	0.00
HOSE & EQUIPMENT	7500.00		7480.81	19.19	0.00
INSPECTION FEES	1500.00	463.00	1913.00	50.00	0.00
HYDRANTS	3900.00		3900.00	0.00	0.00
MAINT FIRE STATION	9500.00		9042.96	457.04	0.00
FIRE PONDS/WATERHOLES	2500.00		2472.75	27.25	0.00
REPAIR/PAINT FIRE STATION	1176.00		0.00	0.00	1176.00
PERSONAL ALERT DEVICES	4500.00		0.00	0.00	4500.00
EMT WAGES & SALARIES	8197.00	1804.01	10001.01	0.00	0.00
EMT EXPENSES	3375.00		2790.28	584.72	0.00
EMT TRAINING	1500.00	518.00	425.00	0.00	1593.00
EMT RADIO REPEATER	518.00	-518.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
EMT REFURBISH VEHICLE	20000.00		19950.00	50.00	0.00
TURN OUT GEAR	3600.00		3600.00	0.00	0.00
BLDG INSPECTOR SALARY	18699.00		18698.68	0.32	0.00
BLDG INSPECTOR EXPENSE	2590.00		964.51	1625.49	0.00
WIRE INSPECTOR PROGRAM	13766.44		12989.08	777.36	0.00
CIVIL DEFENSE	750.00		750.00	0.00	0.00
DOG OFFICER SALARY	2402.00		2401.92	0.08	0.00
DOG OFFICER EXPENSE	1450.00		372.96	1077.04	0.00
TREE DEPT WAGES & EXPENSE	5000.00		5000.00	0.00	0.00
CONSTABLES WAGES	521.00	9.53	530.53	0.00	0.00
CONSTABLES EXPENSE	30.00		0.00	30.00	0.00
FENCE VIEWERS, ETC	1.00		0.00	1.00	0.00
HEPATITIS SHOTS	1881.50		25.00	0.00	1856.50
RABIES SHOTS	595.00		0.00	0.00	595.00
ELEM SCH MAINT	350.00		0.00	350.00	0.00
ELEM SCH TILES	372.00		0.00	0.00	372.00
ELEM SCH CAPITAL REPAIRS	9847.89		3975.00	0.00	5872.89
ELEM SCH WINDOWS	24245.00		21830.00	2415.00	0.00
ELEM SCH CAPITAL REPAIRS FY 01	23500.00		22279.82	0.00	1220.18
ELEM SCH DRAINAGE	0.00	3000.00	0.00	0.00	3000.00
PIONEER VALLEY REG SCH	1959937.00		1959931.00	6.00	0.00
PVRS-TEACHERS SAL DEFERRAL	4536.47		4536.47	0.00	0.00
PVRS BLDG PROJ ASSESSMENT	328391.92		328391.92	0.00	0.00
FRKLN CTY TECH SCHOOL	172270.00		172270.00	0.00	0.00
HIGHWAY SUPT EXPENSE	6480.00		5445.18	1034.82	0.00
HIGHWAY DEPT WAGES	201185.00		165024.63	36160.37	0.00
HWY, BRIDGES & RAILS	110000.00		74705.37	35294.63	0.00
OILING & STONING	60000.00		59999.08	0.92	0.00
HIGHWAY TOOLS	1200.00		1077.55	122.45	0.00
SIDEWALKS	30000.00		0.00	0.00	30000.00
REPAIR BRIDGES	3615.36		0.00	0.00	3615.36
OLD WENDELL ROAD	17356.39		0.00	0.00	17356.39
SNOW REMOVAL EXPENSE	51800.00		47223.09	4576.91	0.00
STREET LIGHTS	11750.00	132.69	11882.69	0.00	0.00
MACHINERY MAINTENANCE	65000.00		59431.21	5568.79	0.00
MAINT HIGHWAY GARAGE	4200.00		3391.78	808.22	0.00
HWY BOUNDS,SURVEY,LISTS	1.00		0.00	1.00	0.00
PURCH EQUIP-HWY DEPT	10811.00		0.00	0.00	10811.00
SURVEY BOUNDS TOWN WAYS	1500.00		0.00	0.00	1500.00
HWY GARAGE FLOOR DRAIN	30000.00		2628.20	0.00	27371.80
HWY TRUCK DUMP BODY	4500.00		4342.00	158.00	0.00
SOLID WASTE DISTRICT	2926.00		2926.00	0.00	0.00
WASTE DISPOSAL	118877.00		113928.74	4948.26	0.00

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SEWER COMM SALARIES	1124.00		1124.00	0.00	0.00
SEWER DEPT WAGES	52911.00		47833.96	5077.04	0.00
SEWER DEPT COLLECTOR	553.00		553.00	0.00	0.00
SEWER COMM EXPENSE	67.00		0.00	67.00	0.00
OP & MAINT SEWER PLANT	60071.00		58820.68	1250.32	0.00
SEWER-DICKINSON LIBRARY	2500.00		0.00	0.00	2500.00
WWTP SAFETY/LAB EQUIP	937.15		0.00	0.00	937.15
CEMETERY WAGES & EXP	1260.00		1253.30	6.70	0.00
MAJOR IMPROV-CEMETERIES	418.99		0.00	0.00	418.99
BD OF HEALTH SALARIES	1871.00		1871.00	0.00	0.00
SEPTIC SYSTEM INSP FEES	2000.00		1175.00	825.00	0.00
BD OF HEALTH EXPENSE	2155.00		1717.66	437.34	0.00
SHARED HEALTH AGENT	6611.25		6611.25	0.00	0.00
PLUMBING INSPECTION FEES	5000.00		4383.00	617.00	0.00
ANIMAL INSPECTOR	1500.00		1253.21	246.79	0.00
COUNCIL ON AGING	9976.00		9972.75	3.25	0.00
SOLDIERS RELIEF	2500.00		0.00	2500.00	0.00
DICKINSON LIBRARY WAGES	59950.00		54602.14	5347.86	0.00
DICKINSON LIBRARY EXP	23065.00		23036.25	28.75	0.00
NFLD FARMS LIBRARY	450.00		450.00	0.00	0.00
LIB MOLD PREVENTION	2174.34	3000.00	2877.73	0.00	2296.61
LIB CLIMATE CONTROL	9750.00	-3000.00	0.00	0.00	6750.00
RECREATION COMM	8530.00		7784.88	745.12	0.00
RECREATION PROGRAM DIRECTOR	3500.00		2587.50	912.50	0.00
MAINT ATHLETIC FIELD	1300.00		335.00	965.00	0.00
ATHLETIC FIELD DRAINAGE	3000.00		0.00	0.00	3000.00
HISTORICAL SOC BLDG	400.00		400.00	0.00	0.00
HIST SOC BLDG REPAIRS	244.98		244.98	0.00	0.00
HISTORICAL COMMISSION	250.00		221.15	28.85	0.00
MEMORIAL DAY	1200.00		1200.00	0.00	0.00
ALEXANDER HALL	340.00		240.00	100.00	0.00
MATURING DEBT- PRIN	215149.41		215149.41	0.00	0.00
INT ON LONG TERM DEBT	133101.59		133101.59	0.00	0.00
INT ON SHORT TERM DEBT	3000.00		0.00	3000.00	0.00
STATE ASSESSMENTS	2581.00		5181.00	-2600.00	0.00
FRCOG ASSESSMENT	22989.00		22988.38	0.62	0.00
VETERANS DISTRICT	4155.00		4155.00	0.00	0.00
COUNTY RETIREMENT	64015.00		64015.00	0.00	0.00
WORKERS COMP INSURANCE	7500.00		6281.84	1218.16	0.00
UNEMPLOYMENT	1000.00		695.40	304.60	0.00
HEALTH INSURANCE	78500.00		74259.09	4240.91	0.00
LIFE INSURANCE	1150.00	177.46	1327.46	0.00	0.00
MEDICARE/FICA	14000.00	2500.00	15866.63	633.37	0.00
OTHER INSURANCE	27655.00	1293.21	28948.21	0.00	0.00
TOTALS	4936463.14	18744.81	4444732.38	151717.93	358757.64

DETAILED EXPENDITURES (SELECTED ACCOUNTS)

		TOTAL SPENT
SELECTMEN EXPENSE		
Wages, PT	33.00	
Telephone	1601.00	
Meetings & Seminars	299.00	
Advertising	610.00	
Postage	947.00	
Other Purchased Services	190.00	
Office Supplies	1010.00	
Law Books	1347.00	
Other Supplies	150.00	
Mileage	174.00	
Dues & Memberships	652.00	
Bonds	100.00	
Employee Appreciation	30.00	7143.00
FINANCE COMMITTEE EXPENSE		
Wages, PT	863.00	
Meetings & Seminars	110.00	
Other Supplies	90.00	
Dues & Memberships	115.00	1178.00
ACCOUNTANT EXPENSE		
Telephone	19.00	
Meetings & Seminars	0.00	
Postage	19.00	
Other Purchased Services	0.00	
Office Supplies	38.00	
Dues & Memberships	30.00	106.00
ASSESSORS EXPENSE		
Telephone	15.00	
Bookbinding	255.00	
Mapping	1500.00	
Meetings & Seminars	965.00	
Postage	293.00	
Other Purchased Services	327.00	
Registry of Deeds	265.00	
Computer support agreemer	2000.00	
Office Supplies	935.00	
Valuation List	200.00	
Other Supplies	411.00	
Mileage	267.00	
Dues & Memberships	140.00	7573.00
TREASURERS EXPENSE		
Telephone	19.00	
Postage	1448.00	
Other Purchased Services	0.00	
Bank Service Charges	77.00	
Office Supplies	1075.00	
Dues & Memberships	50.00	
Bonds	245.00	
Other Charges	0.00	2914.00

TAX COLLECTORS EXPENSE		
Telephone	5.00	
Meetings & Seminars	0.00	
Postage	2233.00	
Other Purchased Services	0.00	
Office Supplies	1390.00	
Dues & Memberships	50.00	
Bonds	306.00	3984.00
TOWN CLERK EXPENSE		
Telephone	42.00	
Meetings & Seminars	37.00	
Postage	130.00	
Other Purchased Services	54.00	
Office Supplies	965.00	
Mileage	0.00	
Dues & Memberships	25.00	
Bonds	100.00	1353.00
CONSERVATION COMMISSION		
Wages, PT	597.00	
Meetings & Seminars	10.00	
Advertising	157.00	
Postage	45.00	
Other Purchased Services	0.00	
Other Supplies	27.00	
Mileage	0.00	
Dues & Memberships	95.00	931.00
PLANNING BOARD		
Wages, PT	946.00	
Advertising	21.00	
Postage	45.00	
Office Supplies	160.00	1172.00
ZONING/APPEALS BOARD		
Wages, PT	78.00	
Advertising	153.00	
Postage	50.00	
Other Purchased Services	0.00	
Dues & Memberships	0.00	281.00
TOWN HALL MAINTENANCE		
Wages	154.00	
Electricity	3831.00	
Water	560.00	
Repairs & Maintenance	286.00	
Rubbish Removal	1140.00	
Other Purchased Services	204.00	
Fuel Oil	6185.00	
Propane Gas	690.00	
Supplies	2616.00	15666.00

POLICE OPERATING EXPENSE		
Telephone	1117.00	
Cruiser Repair & Maint	4222.00	
Professional Training	0.00	
Meetings & Seminars	475.00	
Postage	329.00	
Other Purchased Services	1076.00	
Gasoline	6992.00	
Office Supplies	756.00	
Uniforms & Equipment	3183.00	
Other Supplies	1067.00	
Mileage	0.00	
Dues & Memberships	425.00	19642.00
FIRE DEPT OPERATING EXPENSE		
Telephone	580.00	
Other Purchased Services	2355.00	
Gasoline	356.00	
Diesel	895.00	
Other Supplies	5238.00	
Dues & Memberships	305.00	
Other Charges	0.00	9729.00
MAINT FIRE STATION		
Electricity	3784.00	
Water	277.00	
Other Purchased Services	45.00	
Fuel Oil	3941.00	
Other Supplies	996.00	9043.00
EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS		
Vehicle Repair & Mainten	1070.00	
Professional Training	375.00	
Other Purchased Services	320.00	
Gasoline	191.00	
Office Supplies	0.00	
Medical Supplies	643.00	
Other Supplies	23.00	
Dues & Memberships	0.00	
Other Charges	168.00	2790.00
BUILDING INSPECTOR EXPENSE		
Telephone	0.00	
Meetings & Seminars	0.00	
Postage	59.00	
Other Purchased Services	0.00	
Office Supplies	0.00	
Mileage	906.00	
Dues & Memberships	0.00	965.00

HIGHWAY SUPT EXPENSE		
Telephone	317.00	
Postage	31.00	
Other Purchased Services	239.00	
Uniform Service	3075.00	
FRCOG Purchasing Program	1720.00	
Other Supplies	63.00	5445.00
HIGHWAYS, BRIDGES & RAILS		
Electricity	393.00	
Other Purchased Services	35675.00	
Materials & Supplies	38637.00	74705.00
MACHINERY MAINTENANCE		
Purchased Services	12872.00	
Gasoline	114.00	
Diesel	15388.00	
Parts & Supplies	31057.00	59431.00
MAINT HIGHWAY GARAGE		
Electricity	2158.00	
Repairs & Maintenance	245.00	
Other Purchased Services	0.00	
Fuel Oil	802.00	
Supplies	187.00	3392.00
WASTE DISPOSAL		
Wages	16031.00	
Electricity	1269.00	
Hazardous Waste Collecti	677.00	
Tipping Fees	60374.00	
Trucking Fees	35578.00	
Other Purchased Services	0.00	
Supplies	0.00	113929.00
OP & MAINT SEWER PLANT		
Electricity	7961.00	
Water	379.00	
Telephone	613.00	
Repairs & Maintenance	1610.00	
Professional & Techical	300.00	
Lab Testing	1050.00	
Meetings & Seminars	20.00	
Sludge Removal	12360.00	
Collection System O&M	525.00	
Other Purchased Services	814.00	
Supplies	31457.00	
Chemicals	1481.00	
Mileage	0.00	
Other Charges	251.00	58821.00

BOARD OF HEALTH EXPENSE		
Wages, PT	863.00	
Telephone	77.00	
Advertising & Postage	130.00	
Other Purchased Services	271.00	
Office Supplies	71.00	
Other Supplies	256.00	
Dues & Memberships	50.00	1718.00
COUNCIL ON AGING		
Meetings & Seminars	205.00	
Postage	109.00	
Purchased Services	88.00	
Director Salary	9146.00	
Supplies	174.00	
Dues & Memberships	65.00	
Mileage	186.00	9973.00
DICKINSON LIBRARY EXPENSE		
Electricity	3470.00	
Water	289.00	
Telephone	1047.00	
Repairs & Maintenance	852.00	
Meetings & Seminars	50.00	
Postage	158.00	
Fuel Oil	3531.00	
Office Supplies	1331.00	
Custodial Supplies	221.00	
Maintenance Supplies	287.00	
Books	9342.00	
Newspapers & Periodicals	507.00	
Audio Tapes	1469.00	
Videos	116.00	
Mileage	306.00	
Other Charges	60.00	23036.00
RECREATION COMMISSION		
Wages	6014.00	
Other Purchased Services	690.00	
Supplies	1081.00	7785.00
RECREATION REVOLVING FUND		
Dance	600.00	
Swimming	300.00	
Soccer	1714.00	
Basketball	1186.00	
Playground	1127.00	
Yoga	390.00	
Teen Theatre	149.00	
Inter-program Expenses	932.00	6398.00

Respectfully Submitted
Deborah M. Mero
Town Accountant

TAX RATE RECAPITULATION

TOWN APPROPRIATIONS:

Raised by taxation	5,249,908.43
Education offset items	4,097.00
Veterans District Services	4,303.00
State and County charges	5,055.00
County retirement services	68,950.00
Current year overlay	29,431.02
TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE RAISED	**$5,361,744.45**

Estimated Receipts and Available funds:

Cherry Sheet receipts	$603,771.00
Local Estimated receipts	570,500.00
Revenue Sources specific	27,262.81
Other Available Funds	475,000.00
TOTAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS	$1,676,533.81
TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION	**$3,685,210.64**

CLASS	VALUATION	% OF LEVY
Residential	153,368,985	60.7615
Commercial	10,454,163	4.1417
Industrial	71,743,800	28.4233
Personal	16,844,740	6.6735
Total Value		**$ 252,411,688.00**

The FY 2002 tax rate of $14.60 was approved by the Department of Revenue on October 24, 2001. Real Estate and Personal Property tax bills were mailed on November 09, 2001.
Total taxable real estate parcel count: 2174
Total personal property accounts: 186

PROPERTY ABATEMENTS/EXEMPTIONS GRANTED FISCAL YEAR 2002

8	Real & personal property	$ 4,441.25	
15	Elderly exemptions		7,500.00
18	Veterans exemptions		5,600.00
4	Blind exemptions		2,000.00
9	Surviving spouse & elderly	1,798.29	
54	Total	$21,339.54	

OMITTED / REVISED

Issued 1 Value 195,200 Tax $2,508.32

PRO-RATA

Issued 7 Value 835,000 Tax $6,971.99
Abated 2 FY01 Value 112,042 Tax $1,439.73

ROLL BACK (Ch. 61)

Issued 1 Tax $872.83

FOREST PRODUCTS CUT

Issued 1 Value 710 Tax $56.80

FARM ANIMAL

Issued 6	Value 749,684	Tax	$3,748.42

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2001

2001 Levy

MOTOR VEHICLES		
Bills issued	3,521	
Total value		12,241,150.00
Total tax		266,178.80
Total abatements granted	126	
Total taxes abated		8,105.62
Total exemptions granted	4	
Total value		$248.75
REPAIR & DEALER PLATES		
Sets issued	9	
Total tax		$900.00
FARM PLATES		
Bills issued	7	
Total value		6,710.00
Total tax		171.53

2000 Levy

MOTOR VEHICLES			
Number issued	126		
Total value			926,176
Total tax			$7,642.63
Abatements granted		13	
Total taxes abated			$358.33

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald Wickey, Chairman
Linwood Wallace
Eugene L'Etoile
Carol Holden, Clerk

BOARD OF SELECTMEN/ ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT ANNUAL REPORT 2001

The Selectmen started the year by welcoming Alana Gadreault to the Board. Alana is a lifetime resident of Northfield and has been able to add firsthand history to many of the issues before the board.

Over the course of the year, the Board kicked off several projects and others were completed. Among the major projects were:

- ✓ Completion of a revised Personnel Policy: The new policy was presented at a public meeting and is expected to be implemented by July 2002.

- ✓ Completion of the Veterans' Memorial: Once funds for the Memorial were available, the project was put out to bid. With the help of the Honor Roll Committee, the project was completed for the Veterans' Day dedication ceremony. The Ceremony was a great success with several hundred people attending.

- ✓ Installation of Four Mile Brook Flood repairs: After numerous meetings with and assistance from DEP. Our Highway Department installed flood prevention measures at Four Mile Brook. Other measures are slated to be completed this spring. Susan Draves has been very successful in obtaining MEMA funds to finance these improvements. Resident Mary Perrea has been very instrumental in moving the project forward.

- ✓ Completion of Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) Study: The Selectmen with the assistance
of the Finance Committee and the Board of Assessors, reviewed the tax situation with the largest non-profit organizations in town.

- ✓ Handicapped Accessibility Project: With the receipt of a Community Development Block Grant, the Town embarked on the design of an elevator for Town Hall along with other accessibility improvements.

- ✓ Senior Center Feasibility Project: The CDBG also funded a project to develop a conceptual design for a Senior Center behind Squakheag Village. The project is underway and a report should be available in July.

- ✓ Main Street Revitalization Project: $100,000 grant for design of sidewalk improvements and other site amenities is being awarded to Northfield. The Town has also been determined to be eligible for a DHCD grant to implement the improvements. A committee was established to get the project going and design is anticipated to begin in FY2003.

- ✓ Community Development Planning Issues: After receiving the build-out study, Northfield with the assistance of FRCOG, applied for and received a planning grant to review housing, open space, transportation and economic development issues in Town. That study is currently underway.

- ✓ Establishment of the Building Utilization & Planning Committee: facing the problem of limited space within Town hall and some limiting impacts of the Handicapped Accessibility Project, a committee was established to evaluate and guide the use of some of the town-owned buildings. Hank Henry, Chad Glover and Phyllis Derigon volunteered and have been working steadily on that committee.

All of the above projects could not be completed without the assistance of numerous other town employees and volunteers. We thank them for their invaluable help.

MAIN STREET REVITALIZATION COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 2001

After meeting with the Department of Housing and Community Development set up by Representative John Merrigan, it appeared that the Town of Northfield may be able to fund new sidewalks on Main Street by a Community Development Action Grant.

The Main Street Revitalization Committee was assembled to get the project going. The Committee consists of business owners, residents, Town Board representatives, Historical Society members and a representation from Northfield Mount Hermon School. Initial tasks consisted of compiling information for grant eligibility, developing a wish list of improvements and assigning costs to those improvements.

The Town has been notified that it will receive over $100,000 in fiscal year 2003 for project design through the Federal Scenic By-Way Program. This grant will get the project going and serve as a local watch for other state grants.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT BUILDING COMMITTEE 2001

In May the Town was awarded a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) to make the Town Hall accessible to all residents. The project includes installing a handicapped accessible elevator, renovating the toilet rooms for code compliance and installing appropriate door hardware and signage. Architects, Inc. of Northampton was hired to design and coordinate the project. We meet regularly with the architect to review plans. When complete, the project will make the Town Hall accessible to all.

Respectfully submitted,
Phyllis Derigon, Susan Draves, Bruce Hunter, Rob Morra, Jack Spanbauer

SENIOR CENTER STUDY COMMITTEE 2001

In May the town was awarded a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) to study the feasibility of constructing a new Senior Center west of Squakheag Village. The study was prompted by the ever-increasing demands for space at Town Hall, the site of the current Senior Center.
John Catlin, an award-winning architect who has designed 25 Senior Community Centers, was awarded the job of studying the Squakheag site, owned by the Franklin County Housing and Redevelopment Authority and reporting his findings to the town. Mr. Catlin and his staff will analyze existing conditions at the site, survey building, site use, access and environmental considerations, analyze the town's needs for programming at the Senior Center and develop schematic plans for the building.

Approximately one third of Northfield residents are over age 50. A survey was mailed to these residents to determine their wishes, concerns and opinions regarding what should be included at the Senior Center. Overwhelming responses to the survey were returned. The surveys will be analyzed to determine space needs at the Center. A minimum of six public meetings will be scheduled to discuss the project.

We look forward to completion of the study in July and welcome your thoughts and suggestions at all times.

Joanne Balzarini, Phyllis Derigon, Susan Draves, Joanne McGee, Jane Monohan, Ted Powell, Mary Jane Porter, Jack Spanbauer

CABLE TELEVISION ADVISORY COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 2001

The Cable Television Advisory Committee has had a quiet year. While many members have been busy with the Cable Television Renegotiating Committee, few issues have needed addressing during 2001.

It is the volunteers of Northfield Community Television, who routinely rush from one meeting to another, camcorder and tripod in hand, to try and cover as much of the community as possible who deserve recognition. Additional volunteers are desperately needed.

There were minimal purchases from the Revolving Fund during this year. Our initial balance as of July 1, 2000 was $1107.32. Tape supplies cost $93.60, and revenue from AT&T Broadband was 455.50, leaving a balance of $1469.22 as of December 31, 2001.

We have continued to save funds as our equipment will need replacement in the very near future.

Residents interested in working with video production for various municipal meetings or public access programs at Northfield Community Television should contact Judy Radebaugh, Station Manager, or Eileen Dowd, Program Coordinator, through Town Hall. Training is provided free of charge.
Respectfully submitted,

Brian P. Brault, Chairperson

CEMETERIES HIGHWAYS AND TREES ANNUAL REPORT 2001

CEMETERIES
Town cemeteries were cleaned, mowed and trimmed. Loam and reseeding was done at all cemeteries. Overgrown shrubs around monuments were trimmed. I would like to thank Roger Bassett, Richard Bassett and Charles Hewitt for their continued good work of keeping the cemeteries mowed and trimmed.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
After the winter of snow, ice and late season large storms, we were left to control rapid run-off from melting. All roads were swept and patched and 3.5 miles of road were chipped sealed. The dirt roads were graded, gravel added to help with reshaping. Roadsides were mowed and intersections were trimmed for better vision. Signs were trimmed around and repaired or replaced as needed.
Four-Mile Brook Rd.: Engineering was done to install a retaining wall along the section of road where over-flowing has occurred several times. The project was denied by DEP. An alternate retaining wall was installed at the edge of the roadway away from the brook embankment. A section of roadway (approximately 500') will be raised and paved to control overflow of the embankment.
Gulf Road: Catch basin cleaner was in and cleaned basins and flushed out drainage pipes
Northfield Elementary School: Drainage was installed to control water run off and a section of the playground was re-graded to eliminate ponding of the area.
Chapter 90 Warwick Rd: Cross pipes, catch basins and 110 feet of sub-drainage were installed. Road was cut back and cleaned. Two sections were reground to reshape road surface. Roadway was set. Lane Construction Co. paved surface from Warwick town line to St. Mary's Street intersection. Weight limit signs were installed at Bridge N-22008. A section of guardrail was installed at bridge ends; in the spring more guardrail will be installed to replace the post & cable system.
The Veterans' Memorial: at the Town Hall was landscaped and re-sodded. The electric line for the light will be installed later.
Snowplows and sanders were repaired as needed and readied for winter. The new one-ton was put into action and a new sander was built for it.

TREES
- ✓ Twenty-two trees were removed along town roadways. Dead and hanging limbs removed.
- ✓ The annual spring brush pickup around town consisted of approximately 60 residents.
- ✓ A total of 43 Christmas trees left at the transfer station were chipped.
- ✓ Much brush trimming was done along town roads to help with sunlight to roads to aid with wintertime melting. Intersections were trimmed back for better vision.
- ✓ Several trees were cleaned up after beaver had dropped them into roadways.

I would like to thank the men of the department for their efforts and cooperation.
Sincerely,
David "Mike" Gibson, Superintendent

BUILDING INSPECTOR ANNUAL REPORT 2001

The value of property built, renovated or remodeled during 2001 was $4,083,940.94,
The fees collected amounted to $20,655.20 representing 241 permits.

Respectfully Submitted,
James Hawkins, Building Inspector

BUILDING UTILIZATION AND PLANNING COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 2001

At the request of the Board of Selectmen, a Building Utilization and Planning Committee has been formed.
Our Charter is as follows:

- Review all prior Surveys of Space Needs
  - Interview each department to ascertain accuracy and completeness of those data to meet the needs for the next 20-30 years
  - Determine ADA shortfall
  - Develop long-range plan to meet those needs with minimum of expense and construction

- Integrate needs into Long Range Capital Plan for funding
  - Review annually for progress, changes in need and strategy
  - Obtain consensus from various boards and town residents to assure cooperation rather than conflict in meeting long range needs of the town

  - Our focus will be to involve ALL interested parties who are interested in a specific Project. There will be no secrets and always open discussion.

The members of the BUPC are: Reynold Henry, Chairman, Chadwick Glover, Phyllis Derigon

COUNCIL ON AGING SENIOR CENTER ANNUAL REPORT 2001

As usual, the Senior Center has been busy with lots of activities, speakers, meals and most exciting of all are the plans for a new Senior Center. A feasibility study is being done on location and an architect selected for the project. The following is a sampling of activities during 2001:

- Brown Bag supplies 28 families - a $3 donation yields $25 value of food
- Legislative Breakfast for Seniors to meet with our legislators
- Senior Center Meal Site open Monday, Tuesday & Thursday at Town Hall
- The Manager and volunteers prepared 7628 meals served to homebound Seniors
  and 2566 meals for the congregate meals at the Town Hall.
- These programs help Seniors have nutritious meals and remain at home w/ assistance
- Entertainment provided by area school students and interested adults
- Programs about health, finance, nutrition, safety, clinics for foot care & Blood Pressure
- Annual Flu Shots given by area Nurses
- Exercise Programs - Tai Chi and walking at Indoor Action
- Musical Programs are ongoing, piano, guitar, keyboard and voice enjoyed by all

- Special Dinners out and an Annual Picnic with Bernardston & Leyden Seniors
- Safety program: TRIAD - Seniors and Law Enforcement Together: SALT
- Outreach work continues to encourage citizens age 55 and up to join the Center
- SHINE representative helps Seniors with Insurance questions and concerns
- Senior Van Transportation Services provided 2397 trips to Greenfield and surrounding areas - this services is funded by grants from the Franklin Regional Transit Association
- Tax Preparation Assistance is provided by area residents in conjunction with AARP
- Other grants provided $2670 for programs and expenses and $1250 for Outreach

All Seniors (age 55 and older) are welcome to call (413) 498-2186 to reserve a meal or a van ride a day in advance. Programs are at noon - during lunch.

Thank you to the many volunteers, Board of Selectmen and residents of Northfield for your support of the Senior Center.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Balzarini, Director
Mary Jane Porter, Council on Aging Chairman
Raymond Parenteau, Fiscal Manager
Cora Mae Rusk
Shirley "Betty" Nelson
Gerald Tessier
Mary Ann Wozniak
Martha Jane Shaw, Meal Site Manager
Mary Miller, Outreach
Marian Holbrook, SHINE Representative
Ben Hale, Van Driver (834-4084)

DOG OFFICER — ANNUAL REPORT 2001

The following data represents our activity for the Town this past year:

Dogs destroyed	none
Loose Dogs returned to owner or taken to the kennel	15
Nuisance Dogs	38
(a list of nuisance dogs are multi repeat offenders)	
Dogs reported missing	19
Dogs reported found and kept by the finder	none
Dogs reported running deer	none
Dogs killed by cars	none
Dogs hit by cars and Taken to the Vet or returned to owner	1
Cats reported lost or found	8

It has been our pleasure to again be working closely with the Dakin Animal Shelter in Leverett for the stray or unclaimed dogs that we have picked up.

Respectfully submitted,
Polly Severance

FRANKLIN COUNTY COOPERATIVE WIRING INSPECTION PROGRAM 2001

The enclosed report is for Fiscal Year 2001 and reflects Wiring permits and fee activity for all member towns. A review of the number of permits and fees collected each fiscal year for the last 5 years shows the following:

FY 1997	607	$40,603
1998	701	38,686
1999	661	37,916
2000	713	45,602
2001	688	46,264

The following are Permit Fee Receipts from towns:

Town	Re Inspection Fees	Permits	Amount
Ashfield	0	54	3305
Bernardston	250	59	3185
Buckland	0	52	2915
Charlemont	0	59	4988
Conway	0	69	4770
Erving	0	47	3855
Gill	0	0	0
Hawley	0	15	750
Heath	0	24	1375
Leverett	25	56	4061
Leyden	0	0	0
Monroe	0	2	260
Northfield	0	90	5515
Shelburne	50	63	4359
Shutesbury	0	0	0
Warwick	0	0	0
Wendell	20	47	2585
Whately	0	51	3996
TOTALS	$345	688	$45,919

Total amount collected: $46,264

Respectfully submitted,

Edward F. Marchefka, Wiring Inspector

COUNTY AND ABANDONED ROADS UPDATE of FRANKLIN REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENT

At the 1986 Town meeting, a vote was amended and voted unanimously that the Town discontinue any and all public rights which may exist in any roads or ways in Northfield, with the exception of those ways or portions of ways currently maintained by the town. There are 54 roads involved.

A draft issued and prepared for the Franklin Regional Planning Boards on January 27, 2000 relating to the discontinuance or abandonment of county roads is as follows:

Discussion Points for FRCOG maintaining their historic role with respect to Active County Roads

- *Actions on inter town roads decided on the merits of regional issues*
- *FRCOG Executive Committee must approve any State Highway discontinuance*
- *Public notice provided to abutters of any road proposed to be discontinued to allow for public participation and input at hearings*
- *Records and Plans of county Roads are maintained for public use.*
- *FRCOG staff provides technical support to ensure proper procedures are followed for discontinuing roads*
- *Funding needed to maintain FRCOG's role*

Discussion Points for Towns assuming responsibilities with respect to Active County Roads

- *Towns must take on the responsibility and expense for maintaining records And plans of former County Roads for public use*
- *Towns should consider providing Public Notice to abutters and conducting a public hearing prior to Town meeting Vote to allow for effective public Participation and input into decisions*
- *Towns must develop expertise with the discontinuance process*

Discussion Points for Discontinuing County Roads which are Not Active for Vehicular Traffic ("Paper Roads")

- ***Eliminating paper Roads removes future problems with ANR Lot filings***
- ***Potential exists for aggrieved abutter of Paper Roads to file lawsuits Claiming damages if access to property is eliminated (e.g. landlocked parcels)***
- ***An alternative solution to discontinuance might be to convert inactive County Road to Statutory Private Ways. Frontage along Statutory Private Ways is not Eligible for ANR development, however, access to landlocked parcels is still Maintained for landowners***

ACTION: By Franklin Regional Planning Board is not known at this time.

Submitted by John Jurkowski, February, 2002

The Northfield Cultural Council considered 27 requests for funding for cultural events for the citizens of Northfield in 2002. Chair Annie Harlow welcomed new members Barbara Lemoine and Jeanne Sisson. Members expressed appreciation to Judy Clark, Shauna Griffin and Sharon Miller (resigned) for their recent service on the board.

In its deliberations, the Council aimed to finance a variety of cultural events for residents of all ages. Pending budget confirmation from the Massachusetts Cultural Council, eleven applications were granted preliminary approval for either full or partial funding, for a total of $3,193.25, as follows:

	Applicant	Project	Amount
1.	Northfield Recr. Commission	Pioneer Valley Youth Summer Theater	$300.00
2.	Northfield Arts Group	Northfield Arts Open Studio Weekend	$300.00
3.	Mountain Road Schoolhouse	Arts Council Music Class at School	$27.00
4.	Anna Viadero	Memoir Writing for Adults & Seniors	$150.00
5.	Shea Community Theater, Inc.	Performance for Young People Series	$350.00
6.	John Foster	Natural History Hikes within Northfield	$450.00
7.	Mohawk Trail Concerts	MTC/Music in Deerfield	$300.00
8.	Northfield Elementary School	Shea Theater "Seussical" (tickets)	$520.00
9.	Northfield Elementary School	Museum of Fine Arts (tickets)	$132.00
10.	Northfield Elementary School	Boston Science Museum (tickets)	$397.75
11.	Northfield Elementary School	New England Aquarium (tickets)	$266.50
		Total	**$3,193.25**

The Northfield Cultural Council welcomes new members from the community so that we have as wide a representation as possible.

Respectfully submitted,
Annie Harlow, Chair
Barbara Lemoine
Steve Hussey
Barbara Bowen
Chris Harris
Jeanne Sisson
John Foster

DICKINSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY ANNUAL REPORT 2001

It has been a great year. Besides all the changes (big and small), there seems to be an almost constant bustle of activity. Sharon Miller has always done an excellent job maintaining the Circulation Desk while also processing Inter-Library Loan requests, but this year she has outdone herself. The number of patron requests for materials from other libraries increased from 466 (2000) to 1088 (2001) and Sharon handled the increase without batting an eye.

Penney Betsold joined the staff in the fall and immediately doubled the number of Friday morning storyhour offered. Besides working with the Northfield Elementary School in an effort to increase regular classroom visits to the library, she is adding a variety of children's and adult programs to our monthly schedule.

Already programming is on the rise. The showing of the video, ***Out of the Storm,*** about the aftermath of the 1938 Hurricane was a wild success. Over 150 people attended the presentation

which was held at the Trinitarian Church. Individual computer instruction classes were offered on Thursday mornings. Through out the year the Friends of the Dickinson Memorial Library generously supported library programming. They sponsored the Wednesday morning book discussion group, two musical performances, the Summer Reading Program, a Chocolate Orgy and most recently a Harry Potter Party. We are also very grateful to the Friends for purchasing a new copier for the library.

Kelly Brassor continues running the library on Tuesday evenings and Saturdays. Nell Champoux left us for travel and college but not before helping us process the 69 children's books we were awarded by the Libri Foundation grant. Anna Nutter replaces Nell as our student page, with Hannah Tyler filling in for a few months in the fall. We would also like to thank Tricia Hutt and her children for keeping the building spotless while Tracey Rogers took a few months off with her new baby daughter. Bob Beck's help is invaluable. He does countless tasks to keep the building in shape including painting the hall and the children's room, brightening up the library while we work on a plan for better lighting upstairs.

Thanks to a three-year grant from the state, the library is now a Mini Net member of the regional library system. Volunteers have been working non-stop to add our materials to the regional database. By July 2002 the library will be circulating on the CWMARS network and our Northfield library cards will be accepted at more than 130 libraries in Central and Western Mass. The Trustees and the staff are looking forward to a very busy year with more people using the library, increased programming and a concentrated effort to make the library accessible to all members of the community.

Statistics for 2001

Attendance		New Patrons	
Adult	10,060	Adult	215
Juvenile	4,385	Juvenile	83
TOTAL	14,445	TOTAL	298
Total Circulation	35,130	InterLibraryLoans	
		Received	1088
		Sent	149

Respectfully submitted,
Debra E. Kern, Director

THE TRUSTEES OF DICKINSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY ANNUAL REPORT 2001

This has been a busy year at Dickinson Memorial Library. We continue to be impressed by the energy, enthusiasm and the expertise of Library Director Debra Kern. After serving six months as Interim Library Director, Deb accepted a permanent position and, for that, we are most grateful.

We are also very grateful to the Town for its support of an additional staff member. Penny Betsold joined us last fall and will assist in the daily functions of the Library as well as in programming for both children and adults. Penny brings much experience and many ideas - the programming possibilities seem endless! We are also fortunate in having the continued efforts of Sharon Miller and Kelly Brassor, both of whom are a major reason the Library can offer all that it does. We bid good-bye to our page, Nell Champoux, who has gone off to college and welcomed Anna Nutter and Hannah Tyler in her stead. Our board has seen some change as well. The entire town should be grateful for the many years of service of now former trustees, Lucille Dahlman, Phyllis Derigon, and Michael Grunwald. We welcome our new trustees, John Cevasco, Margo Fleck and Janet Wood.

The Trustees appreciate the continued efforts of our custodians Tracy and Tim Rogers. Many of our long-needed building repairs and/or maintenance continue to be addressed by Bob Beck. The Trustees are still committed as well as legally obligated to seek affordable and appropriate solutions to the issue of handicap accessibility, be that through renovations or expansion or a combination of both. We also continue to monitor and seek to prevent any future re-occurrence of the mold infestation of 1998. We look to the future with optimism, hopeful that the Town will continue to support the maintenance and necessary rehabilitation of this historic building as the town continues to so benefit from all that the Dickinson Memorial Library provides to our community. We, the Trustees, remain grateful for your support.
Respectfully submitted,

Jon McGowan, Chair - John Cevasco - Margot Fleck - Jane Lyle Jaworski -
Kathleen Banks Nutter - Janet L. Wood
Lucille Dahlman, resigned, Phyllis Derigon, term expired, Michael Grunwald, term expired

FIRE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT 2001

We have had an extremely busy year this last year. The calls are as follows:

Structure Fires	6	Homes Struck by Lightning	2
Brush Fires	12	Illegal Burning	3
Vehicle Accidents	11	Smoke Investigations	6
Vehicle Fires	4	Hazardous Materials	6
Electrical Fires	7	SEEP'S Calls (Anthrax)	3
Power Lines Down	10	Broken Water Pipes	5
Oven/Cooking Fires	8	Roof Collapse	1
Fire Alarms (NMH)	29	Missing Persons	2
Fire Alarms (other)	20	Tree Fallen on House	1
Malicious False Alarms	1	Child Locked in Car	1
Mutual Aid Calls	27	Assist the Public	4
Chimney Fires	5	Assist EMT's	2
Furnace Malfunctions	4	**TOTAL CALLS**	**180**

As you can see from the above responses the fire dept. has been very busy. Of the 6 structure fires 2 destroyed homes, 1 destroyed a barn, 1 destroyed storage shed, the others caused structural damage to buildings. Even though both homes were destroyed, valuable personal effects were saved due to the efforts of the fire dept. The barn was fully involved in fire upon arrival but the Fire Department kept it from spreading to the nearby house.

The dry brush fire season, both Spring and Fall has us running to control brush fires in Town as well as responding mutual aid to help our neighboring communities control wildfires in their Towns. For the first time in my career as Chief, we had to stage equipment and manpower between residences and advancing wildfires. You see things like this in areas of California and the mid-west, but with more and more homes being located in the wooded areas and conditions as dry as they were this past year we had homes in danger from approaching forest fires. We are hoping for a deep snowpack or a wet Spring or we will be in worse trouble.

As you can see the Fire Department responds to a multitude of emergencies. The Haz-Mat calls included 2 residences filled with propane gas from faulty gas stove valves left partially on while the residents were away. One involved a train derailment in West Northfield where a tankcar full of Liquefied Petroleum Gas went off the track.

The Fire Department has the training and equipment to recognize and deal with hazardous material incidents. We were given another responsibility. That was to handle suspicious mail packages containing possible anthrax contamination. Several of the officers and members went through special SEEP's (Suspicious Envelope Evaluation Procedure) from the Massachusetts Department of Fire Services. We did respond to 3 such calls and used our equipment and training to evaluate the packages and to find there was no anthrax present. Who would have thought we'd be doing this in Northfield?

September 11th changed the demeanor and attitude of America. It brought into the spotlight the devotion and spirit of America's emergency personnel. Fire, police and EMT's are continually asked to handle sometimes-impossible situations. Yet through compassion and the dedication of helping our fellow man, we always find a way. Unfortunately as in New York City and Washington DC it came with a horrific price, the ultimate sacrifice for many.

In a speech I gave at the Trinitarian Congregational Church memorial service for emergency personnel and townspeople, I reflected upon what your firefighters are called upon to do. We are called for rescue, to look for a lost child or to rescue someone who is injured after falling part way down a cliff, or to pry victims from the twisted metal of an automobile accident in time to make the difference between life and death. We respond to fire alarms wondering if they are system malfunctions, malicious, or are they the real thing threatening life and property. We handle hazardous materials like fuel or chemical spills, propane gas leaks, and suspicious packages. We are called to fires, brush fires, vehicle fires, electrical fires, chimney fires, and structure fires where the owner's life is literally going up in flames. We deal with emergencies and sometimes tragedy. We are a very diverse group of individuals who respond and bond together with teamwork and trust to form a unique team to help control and minimize the damage to lives, property and our way of life here in Northfield. That is who your firefighters are, and I am proud to serve as their Chief.

Respectfully submitted,

F. M. "Skip" Dunnell III, Fire Chief

FRANKLIN REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS REPORT 2001

The Franklin Regional Council of Governments (FRCOG) is pleased to submit this annual report summary to our member towns for the calendar year 2001. As the regional planning and governmental membership organization serving the towns of Franklin County, the FRCOG provides a broad array of planning, advocacy, and community health services, as well as fee-for-service programs serving a variety of municipal needs. The $372,158 core assessment paid by FRCOG member towns for the fiscal year 2002, leveraged nearly $3 million dollars of services to our region, meeting our mission of supporting the economic, community, and environmental health of our communities through both regional coordination and individual assistance.

FRCOG's accomplishments throughout the year included:

- Franklin/Hampshire Connect – With the aid of a Steering Committee made up of business leaders in Franklin and Hampshire counties, the FRCOG led and facilitated a process to bring telecommunications infrastructure to our region. The effort has been very successful and advanced, affordable telecommunications will be available to businesses in 2002.

- Executive Order 418 Certification – FRCOG again partnered with the Housing and Redevelopment Authority (HRA) to help all towns meet the fiscal year 2002 certification

requirements of Executive Order 418. We are currently working with towns to develop scopes of work to access the planning funds available through Executive Order 418.

- Franklin County Local Emergency Planning Committee – The FRCOG leads and facilitates the Franklin County LEPC process, which all 26 towns are a part of. In the last year we began the important work of creating a regionally coordinated hazardous response plan. In response to the events of September 11, we are also working with our legislative delegation to lead a pilot project that will devote full time resources to regional emergency planning and coordination.

- Representation of Franklin County interests – FRCOG represents Franklin County on several regional and state committees including: MassHighway Design Issues Working Group, Connecticut River Crossing Committee, Pioneer Valley Plan for Progress, Rural Health Advisory Committee, and the Franklin County Retirement Board.

- Build-Out analyses for all 26 Franklin County towns – Our planning department completed build-out analyses using a methodology developed by the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs. The resulting product provides all towns with GIS data on current land use and development, environmental constraints, and other information valuable for local planning.

- Collaborations between local government officials, agencies, and organizations serving community needs throughout the region – Through the year the FRCOG continued its commitment to facilitate education, peer networking and coalition- building through projects such as the Animal Control Network, the Substance Abuse Prevention Task Force, the Education Reform Task Force, and Board of Health Workshops series, among many others.

As the towns in our region face tough challenges posed by state budget cuts and a downturn in the economy overall, the FRCOG continues its work to meet community needs by maximizing services, and saving dollars. We are proud of the work that we do to serve the Franklin County region and its 26 municipalities, and encourage you to read FRCOG's full 2001 Annual Report for further detail.

Linda Dunlavy, Executive Director
Franklin Regional Council of Governments

NORTHFIELD HISTORICAL COMMISSION ANNUAL REPORT 2001

The application for the Pine Street School to be put on the National Historical Register has been approved by the Massachusetts Historical Commission to be sent to the National.

Marie Ferre has written the application for the Center Cemetery to be placed on the National Historic Register also. The Center Cemetery is one of the earliest in this part of the state. She also is chairperson of the Friends of the Cemetery, which is a group formed to care for the monuments as well as to document the information on them. In March, Fred Oakley of Hadley and Bob Drinkwater of Sunderland discussed the preservation of cemeteries to the Commission. This was followed by a workshop open to the public at the Center Cemetery in May. Northfield Mt. Hermon students volunteered to help the Friends of the Cemetery one Saturday in September.

Concern was expressed about the various historic monuments along the Main Street. In the past evergreens and small trees were planted but were not cut back enough so the monuments became difficult to read. The Commission groomed the shrubs so the stones were more easily read.

Larry Stearns of Northfield has been researching the ferries that crossed the Connecticut River in this vicinity. He presented the Commission with a piece of iron rod that kept the ferry in line as it crossed the river. The Commission placed it on display with early photos in the Powell's Insurance window on the Main Street.
Commission members in 2001 were Alice Fortier, Irene Jurkowski, Mary Jane Porter, Ted Powell and Tony Stavely.

Jean Kozlowski, Chairperson

POLICE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT 2001

It is with pleasure that I submit my ninth Annual Report of the Northfield Police Department for the year 2001. Like so many other progressive law enforcement organizations, the Northfield Police Department employs agency-wide community policing philosophies and practices. As a result, we enjoy a strong relationship with the residents of the town. As part of our commitment to the concept of Community Policing, the Department continually seeks ways to make its officers more effective in their patrols and allow them increased contact with the people they serve.

The tragic events of September 11th have caused us to concentrate our efforts on keeping our community safe from those who may wish to indiscriminately harm our citizens. Training in this area is on-going. Our pledge to our residents is that we will avail ourselves of all training and technology available. We will do whatever is necessary to ensure your safety. We strive to improve our reputation in the community, the quality of work that we produce, and the image we project in the performance of our duties. We believe that the success we have enjoyed is a direct result of the healthy relationship that we have fostered with our residents. I encourage all residents to assist us in our efforts, and hope that together, we can continue to make Northfield a great place to live and work. If you have any compliments or complaints, please contact our department by phone 498-5118 or e-mail at npd@crocker.com.

The year 2001 has been a progressive year. Many thanks to everyone who played an important role in our department. To the members of this agency, a sincere thank you for your continued dedication to the police department and the community you serve.

Respectfully submitted,
Chief of Police
Gary Sibilia

CRIME STATISTICS 2000/01

SERVICE CALLS:	2001	2000
Alarms	105	129
Animals	63	63
Assist Fire Dept.	58	41
Assist Medical	90	93
Assist Other PD	221	155
Assist Persons	99	73
Firearms Applicants	46	135
Found Property	23	25
General Service	422	422
Respond PVRS	56	44
Respond NMHS	72	53
House Checks	133	150
911 Hang Ups	42	61
TOTAL:	**430**	**1444**

MOTOR VEHICLES:	2001	2000
M/V Accidents	69	57
M/V Disabled	74	79
M/V Fatal	1	0
M/V Leaving Scene	4	2
M/V Citations	927	837
M/V Warnings	836	850
M/V Neg. Oper.	27	32
M/V Suspicious	88	77
M/V Recov. Stolen	1	3
M/V Stolen	1	7
M/V Towed	84	77
M/V Complaints	61	47
TOTAL:	**2173**	**2068**

POLICE INVESTIGATIONS:		
Annoying Calls	17	18
Arson	1	0
Attempted B&E	9	10
Assault & Battery	17	11
Breaking/Entering	9	20
DISTURBANCES:		
a) Domestic	28	19
b) Neighbor	3	0
c) Disord. Person	3	6
d) Noise	21	12
e) Juvenile	25	25
LARCENY:		
a) Property	52	54
b) Bad Checks	4	4
Missing Persons	13	15
Rape (Attempted)	0	3
Sexual Assaults	2	3
Suspicious Persons	30	33
Vandalism	35	47
Weapons/Shots Fired	15	11
Miscellaneous	150	110
Attempted Suicide	0	2
Robbery	0	0
Bomb Threats	2	1
Unattended Death	2	1
Attempted Abduction	1	1
TOTAL:	**435**	**405**

DEPARTMENT ARRESTS:		
a) Adult	91	110
b) Juvenile	19	9
TYPE OF ARREST:		
Assault & Battery	11	6
A&B Police Officer	1	1
A&B Dang. Weapon	3	3
Breaking/Entering	5	1
CHINS Warrants	1	0
Disorderly Conduct	5	1
OUI	12	19
Larcenies	4	5
Property Damage	1	1
Poss. of Drugs	5	16
Protective Custody	1	4
Rape/Attempt. Rape	0	0
Sexual Assaults	1	2
Rec'g. Stolen Prop.	0	0
Susp/Revoked License	18	21
Trespassing	12	1
Restraining Orders	2	1
Warrants	8	10
Weapon Violations	0	0
Other Arrests	11	27

MONEY TURNED INTO THE TOWN FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT:

From Fines	$37,230.00
Firearms	850.00
Insurance Reports	115.00
Admin. Fees	7,193.00
TOTAL TO TOWN:	**$45,395.00**

COURT:

Court Hours	475	520
D.A. Office	5	12
Investigations	30	23
Magistr. Hearings	177	195
Restraining Orders	38	21
Summonses	53	102

RECREATION COMMISSION — ANNUAL REPORT 2001

The Recreation Commission is committed to providing recreational programs for the citizens of Northfield.
We would like to thank all of the volunteers who have helped to make the programs so successful and to the Northfield Elementary School and Northfield Mt. Hermon for the use of their facilities.

A grant from D.A.R.E. was retained by the Police Dept. to help fund the Summer Playground Program which served over 70 children and employed 8 Northfield teens. This grant allowed the Commission to develop a new summer program for children ages 11 to 15. The Youth Adventure Program served 11 children who participated in a variety of outdoor adventure activities such as canoeing, camping and rock climbing. We hope to see this program grow this coming year. In July, the Commission sponsored a day trip to Parker River Wildlife Refuge in Ipswich, MA. More than 50 people hopped on a bus for a day at the Beach.

Teen Summer Theatre had a very successful second year using the Town Hall for rehearsal and performance space; 21 local teens participated in producing "Who Would You Be". The program was funded in part with grants awarded by The Northfield Cultural Council and the Community Coalition for Teens (F.R.C.G).

Seasonal Programs sponsored	Classes sponsored
Co-Ed Adult Softball	Tennis for Adults - At NMH Courts - on going/yr
Youth Soccer (110 Children w/ Kathy Galuzzo)	Tennis for Children " "
Youth Basketball (51 Children served)	Creative Movement at NES
Youth Baseball (85 Children w/ Ray Zukowski)	Tap/Ballet/Jazz Dance at NES
Family Swim at NMH	Yoga @ Unitarian Church
Open Skate at NMH	Adult Tap Dance @ NES

The NES Gymnasium is getting lots of use in the evenings throughout the school year as follows:

Men's Basketball on Friday
Firemen's Basketball on Monday
Adult Volleyball on Wednesday

The Recreation Commission makes every effort to keep the programs fiscally self-supporting, yet affordable. Thank you very much to all who volunteer. Your generous service to the community is greatly appreciated by the members of the Recreation Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

Deb Taricano, Chair; Steve Bachinski, Fern Bork, Kim Godfrey, Andy Harrison and Deb Porlier

NORTHFIELD RESCUE ANNUAL REPORT 2001

Dear Residents of the Town of Northfield,

As I write this Town Report it is with some sadness that I no longer will be the Director of the Northfield Emergency Medical Services. During my tenure with this wonderful group, many things have happened over the years that have made me very proud to be a part of such a compassionate group of individuals. They have always served this town with only one goal in mind... delivering the best care possible to the residents of Northfield at their time of need. That is what it is all about. As I embark on new endeavors and yet another chapter in my career, I do hope that this fine group of professionals always keep this goal in the forefront of their mind because that is what being an EMT is all about.

This past year has been full of changes and improvements for Northfield EMT's. The number one improvement has been the upgrade to the Emergency Response vehicle. With the $20,000 appropriated in last year's special article we did all that we planned and then some. I do not think any one of us realized how much this would improve the way we deliver patient care. Our vehicle is organized and safe for transport as well as very uniquely designed. The company that did the work, Odyssey Specialty Vehicles, was amazed at how well the project came out. We created a tremendous amount of secure storage inside the vehicle and created a safe environment for the EMT's to work in. Dave Nadeau put a tremendous amount of thought into planning the interior design and he drove the vehicle to New Jersey where the company is located. I, for one, greatly appreciate his dedication to the success of this project.

We have welcomed some new faces to the group. Jim Winn who has many years' experience as an EMT brings a great maturity and wisdom to the organization. Mark and Jill Fortier have also been a great addition and hopefully will pursue even more training as time goes on.

Amanda Hallett, who started out with us as a first responder, has since completed her EMT training and has been put to the test with some serious situations. Her professionalism and willingness to learn has been a refreshing opportunity for others to be her mentor. Kudos to you Amanda.

Northfield Rescue has had over 140 responses for the past calendar year with close to 10 transports. Our integrated relationship with BHS Ambulance continues to be one that creates a high level of patient care for the Town of Northfield and it's residents. BHS Ambulance is now doing cutting edge prehospital skills that set an example to other services. They have the ability to do 12 lead EKG's in the field now that can diagnose a heart attack long before arrival at the hospital. This advanced technology takes specialized training for paramedics and greatly improves the chances of survival. These EKG's are transmitted over phone lines to the Emergency Department enabling the doctor to see what is going on and prepare more timely for the arrival of the heart attack victim. It reduces the time that it takes for the patient to receive life saving drugs that are needed to save lives. This is cutting edge skill that BHS Ambulance provides at no subsidy from the Town of Northfield. Again always with the patient's best interest at "heart." (No pun intended) The highest level of patient care is what BHS Ambulance and Northfield Rescue provide to the Town of Northfield.

Although much has been said about the tragic events of September 11th, what has not been said is the way the Town of Northfield paid tribute to all that was lost on that day. The EMS colleagues of the town were ready to go if needed at a moments notice. They got the vehicle ready, called each other to mobilize, assembled special equipment and supplies and stayed by the phone in case they were called. The dedication to help, to be there for the call, goes beyond what words can express. Many words were shared at our memorial service that was organized by local clergy and held at the Trinitarian Church. The Town of Northfield was represented by a fine group of professionals that shared their heart felt pride and emotions for the job we all do every day. The words and prayers touched each one of us personally. I was honored to represent the EMT's and share words to help ease the pain we were all feeling.

As I end this report to you, the residents of Northfield, I ask you to remember to thank these individuals for the job they do. When you see them on the street say "hi" and remember all they contribute to this community. To all of the personnel of Northfield Rescue, I say thank you for all your dedication to the needs of others. Always strive to do your job just a little bit better and reach out to others to make a difference. The rewards are great and will fill your hearts with satisfaction that goes beyond words. Many thanks to Chief Dunnell and the Northfield Fire Department for all your patience and respect that you have shown the EMT's and myself over the years. Many thanks to Chief Sibilia and his officers for assisting us on all those calls. You have always been supportive of our role in Public Safety.

Again, many thanks to the Northfield Rescue personnel for all your support of me as your director and best wishes for the future. You are the best. Good luck to Tom Bergeron in his responsibilities as the new Director of Northfield Rescue.

The personnel of Northfield Rescue are as follows:

Tom Bergeron	Linda Shedd	James Lake Jr.
Lionel Gagnon	Chris Masloski	Jill Fortier
David Nadeau	Amanda Hallett	Mark Fortier
Sharon James	Jim Winn	Rob Leighton

Respectfully Submitted,
Renee D. Lake, EMT-P

NORTHFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COUNCIL

Geri Smith
Wanda Mclsaac, Co-Chair
Elana Gardreault
Brian Brault
Cathy Hawkins-Harrison
Pam Lawrence
Amy Baver
Ellen Hunter

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PRINCIPAL

Geraldine D. Smith
UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS AT AMHERST - B.A. ELEMENTARY EDUCATION
NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY - M.ED. ELEMENTARY EDUCATION, MATH
WESTFIELD STATE COLLEGE - C.A.G.S. EDUCATIONAL ADMINISTRATION

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SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Carl Perkins, M.D.

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SCHOOL NURSE

Mary Ann Morris, RN

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SCHOOL CALENDAR

School Open August 29,2001
School Open November 26,2001
School Open January 2, 2002
School Open February 25,2002
School Open April 22,2002
School Close November 22,2001
School Close December 24,2001
School Close February 18, 2002
School Close April 15,2002
School Close June 12,2002*

(Subject to State Requirements)

NORTHFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

ENROLLMENT REPORT

OCTOBER 1, 2001

Elementary:	Grade	Boys	Girls	Total
	PK	18	11	29
	K	18	9	27
	1	14	21	35
	2	17	15	32
	3	22	12	34
	4	15	17	32
	5	21	5	27
	6	14	25	39
		139	116	255
Pioneer Valley:				
	7	27	17	44
	8	19	23	42
	9	18	20	38
	10	12	13	25
	11	13	16	29
	12	12	8	20
		101	97	198

Franklin County Technical School: 18

Private Schools:

Full Circle School: 6

Northfield Mount Hermon: n/a

Northfield Elementary School
Principal's Report

I am pleased to submit this annual report for Northfield Elementary School for the period of January 1, 2001 to December 31, 2001. In my four years as principal of Northfield Elementary School, I continue to be impressed with the commitment of Northfield to its youngest citizens. On behalf of your children, I thank you for your continued support of our school.

The new school year opened on August 29, 2001. Our school enrollment began the year at 265 and is now 276 in preschool through grade 6. New staff members joining the school this year are Carolyn Duska, grade 6 teacher, Kathie Bredin, grade 3 teacher, Maureen Shippee, Betterstart teacher, Beth Dichter, computer teacher, Brenda Bordner, classroom aide, and Lee Felton, special education aide.

In June of this year we bid farewell to Les Nelson who had taught at Northfield Elementary for over thirty years. Our thanks are extended to him for the many years of dedicated service to our children. Tom King, a sixth grade teacher, has moved on to become a school principal. We wish him success in his new endeavor.

Thank you to the School Use Committee (Bonnie L'Etoile, Bill Roberts, and Hank Henry), for their interest in the school. We continue to improve the building and the offerings for our children through their effort and the generosity of the town. The biggest change this year is the addition of a new computer lab. As a result of the generosity of Northfield's citizens, new computers have been purchased as well as a lab printer and an In-Focus projector which enables the teacher to share a computer image with a whole class. We also replaced the carpet in two more classrooms. Bob Beck was invaluable in painting more classrooms last summer. As a result of the hard work of our custodians (Peter Blake, Tim Fairman, and Lee Dresser) and the district maintenance person, Steve Field, the building continues to look great!

The School Council, an advisory board for the principal with representation from the school staff, parents, and community, meets monthly and continues to focus on educational excellence. A major responsibility each year is the writing and execution of a School Improvement Plan which is available in the office for your perusal. With a focus on safety, the council has worked with the school staff in writing an Emergency Response Plan. Thank you to the members of the council for their work in helping to improve our school and keep our children safe.

As a result of the updating of our computer lab, we now have systematic computer instruction for all grades kindergarten through grade 6. The instruction is focused on using the computer to help children learn and to present their understanding in a creative way. Two grants from the Massachusetts Department of Education have also helped to enrich the educational experience at NES: One is a technology grant written by Mary Johnson to support the integration of computers into the science curriculum of the first, second, and third graders. The other is a literacy grant which is partially supporting a literacy coordinator for the school and helping us to update many of our reading and writing instructional materials. This grant will also be supporting a parent literacy awareness evening and the work of an artist-in-residence in the area of storytelling and poetry. Both of these grants have helped us to make some exciting changes at the school.

The teachers continue to work on updating the district curriculum and aligning it with the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks. These changes are necessary to help us better prepare the students to be successful in the Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS) tests which our third, fourth, fifth, and sixth grade students will take each year. These state curriculum guidelines and tests have created very high standards for our students. Young people are now expected to have a good knowledge of the basics, and to be able use this information to solve problems.

Another improvement at NES is the new community playground. So many people have helped us to accomplish this task. A playground committee of town and school representatives helped to plan the area. The town crew helped remove the unsafe structure and correct the drainage. They also laid a new walk. Shrubs and trees have been donated and planted. The wooden railroad ties were removed from the early childhood play structure and replaced with a safer material. The PTO has been fundraising for two years and a new play structure was purchased and installed. All of the work was completed with volunteer labor and we are very appreciative. This would not have happened without the donations of time, materials, labor, and money from many people in Northfield. We will continue to raise funds to purchase an additional part to the structure. Other additions in the plans are a picnic area and possibly a gazebo!

Thank you to the many parent and community volunteers at NES. Whether you volunteer in the classrooms, share a special talent with us, and chaperone or drive for a field trip, you are an invaluable resource for teachers and students.

Other organizations have helped us to enrich the educational experience of the children. The Foundation for Educational Excellence has granted NES the funds to hire a storyteller to work with the students. The Northfield Cultural Council has partially funded student trips to the New England Aquarium, the Boston Museum of Science, and to the Shea Theatre. We appreciate your help. Our collaboration with the Northfield Mount Hermon

School continues to benefit the children. Generous donations have enriched our field trip scholarship fund and students doing outreach from NMH regularly volunteer to help in classrooms and in the Out-of-School Program.

In closing, we at Northfield Elementary School accept the challenge of helping the children of Northfield reach their greatest potential by providing a supportive learning environment with a comprehensive curriculum including academics, arts, technology, self-discipline and respect for all people. I want to thank all the citizens and the town boards of Northfield for joining us in this most important endeavor.

Respectfully submitted,

Geraldine D. Smith
Principal

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SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Kevin J. Courtney
University of Massachusetts - BA English
Fitchburg State College - Med University of Massachusetts - EdD Candidate

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ASSISTANT TO THE SUPERINTENDENT

Dayle A. Doiron
BA English Literature/French - DePauw University
MHS Administration - Keene State College
Certified School Business Administrator,
Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY/TREASURER

Debby L. Lincoln

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CENTRAL OFFICE SECRETARY

Kathy Jaques

***

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE/PAYROLL

Deborah Frentzos

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CENTRAL OFFICE HOURS

School Days - 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Vacation Days - 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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BERNARDSTON

Jeremiah Donovan	(Term Expires 2002)
Karen L. Fitzpatrick	(Term Expires 2004)
Barry Auskern	(Term Expires 2002)

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LEYDEN

Ann Pratt	(Term Expires 2002)
Rick Fontaine	(Term Expires 2002)
Peggy Kaeppel	(Term Expires 2004)

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NORTHFIELD

Betsy Llewelyn	(Term Expires 2002)
Jed Proujansky	(Term Expires 2004)
Patricia Shearer, Chair	(Term Expires 2004)

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WARWICK

Linda Gale	(Term Expires 2004)
Mark Maynard, Co-Chair	(Term Expires 2002)
Janice Starmer	(Term Expires 2004)

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TOWN REPORT, 2001

It is a pleasure to submit my fourteenth annual report as superintendent of the Pioneer Valley Regional School District. In 2001 the district's priorities were the Pioneer Valley Regional School building project, the alignment of district curriculum with state frameworks, MCAS, and the hiring of qualified teachers. Of course, beginning on 9/11/01 there was but a single priority: how to respond to the World Trade Center attacks and the terrorist threats that followed.

Phase two of the Pioneer building project was completed this past summer. Phase three, the final phase, will end in February 2002. Despite being a large, complicated project it remains on budget and close to on time. The new Pioneer will be a beautiful, state-of-the-art facility. Look for a grand opening ceremony in early April.

The testing/accountability phase of the Educational Reform Act is at a critical juncture. The class of 2003 (current juniors) is the first that must pass the reading and math sections of the Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS) in order to receive a diploma. Those who fail to do so will have multiple opportunities to re-take the test. In the meantime the district is providing focused MCAS instruction after school, on weekends and during the summer. MCAS is important and here to stay, but I hope that test preparation does not become the only thing that we do. The larger issue is the increasing, but still subtle, tension between local officials and state/federal officials over control of education. More than half of our operating budget now comes from state and federal sources. With it comes "strings', in the form of various regulations and requirements, some of which do not sit well with our local officials. We need to keep an eye on this friction. It has the potential to become a real problem.

There is an old saying that for many parents, a school system is only as good as the teacher in front of their child's classroom. It is not quite that simple, but it is not far off either. Good teachers are the keys to educational excellence. Pioneer is fortunate to have a fine teaching staff, but, as is the case throughout the country, many, if not most, will retire in the next five years. Finding high quality replacements and new teachers is one of our most important and difficult tasks. There is already a critical shortage in areas such as Math, Science, and Special Education. Even in other disciplines, where there are still an adequate number of candidates, there are far fewer than there used to be.

In response to the events of 9/11/01, many parents, as they so often do, turned to the schools for answers. We in the Pioneer district were no different from the society at large. We were in shock and had no experience in dealing with such an event. But quickly and instinctively teachers and administrators realized that whatever panic they as adults might be feeling, it was critically important to project an air of calm and safety for the sake of the students. I have never been prouder of our schools than I was during the anxious days that followed 9/11 (in truth they are not over). It was (and is) an impressive performance.

The events of 9/11 aside, Pioneer had a good year in 2001. It was an honor to be part of it and to once again serve you.

Kevin J. Courtney
Superintendent of Schools

This is my fourth annual report as the Administrator of Special Education for the Pioneer Valley Regional School District. We are currently providing one hundred and seventy eight (178) students between the ages of three (3) and twenty-two (22) with special education services.

Students who receive special education services have been identified in accordance with state and federal regulations. Such identification is based upon the finding that a student, because of a disability (autism, developmental delay, intellectual, sensory, neurological, emotional, communication, physical, specific learning or health impairment) is unable to progress effectively with only regular education services.

Nearly all of the students identified as having special needs receive a combination of regular and special education services at the four elementary schools in Bernardston, Leyden, Northfield, and Warwick or at Pioneer Valley Regional School. A small number of students are placed outside of our school district in alternative day and residential placements.

Special education services provided consist of: academic support, substantially separate reading and math programs, speech and language therapy, psychological services, occupational therapy, physical therapy, services for the deaf, hard of hearing and visually impaired, and specialized transportation. Programming is provided during the school year, and for a small number of students in extended school year programs as deemed necessary by the special education team.

I would like to thank the teachers, administrators, specialists and support staff from our five schools. Working together, they have created high quality special education programs to serve our students.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gordon B. Parker, Ed. D.
Administrator of Special Education

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL
Principal's Report

I am pleased to submit my second annual report as the Principal of the Pioneer Valley Regional School. PVRS presently serves five hundred and twenty students from the four regional towns and surrounding communities in grades 7-12.

The 2001-2002 school year has been both a productive and reflective time. The students and faculty have continued their daily lessons and work of constructing new knowledge while grappling with the realities and complexities of our world post-September 11th. As a school community, we have made efforts to increase our awareness and understanding of others, while learning what it means to be a good citizen. The students have taken the initiative to promote harmony and kindness through a variety of activities in the school and have been recognized as "champions of character".

The ongoing work of the building project and the self-study component of the accreditation process have been two defining events of the 2001-2002 school year. The building project is nearly complete as students and faculty anxiously await the final move into new spaces. The new spaces and equipment have been well received by the school community. A great deal of credit and recognition should be given to the Building Committee, Dayle Doiron, and the four towns for their commitment of time and resources for the students of PVRS. Completion of the building project dovetails nicely with the New England Association of Schools and Colleges decennial accreditation visit in October of 2002.

New Hires:

Andi Duprey - Math
Michael Duprey - Assistant Principal
Andrea Gray - Foreign Language
Alan Murphy - Science
Joshua Thomson - Instrumental Music
Tom Wells - Social Studies
Larry Poirier - Science
Terri O'Brien - English

Resignations:

Jonathan Cade - Instrumental Music
Orianna Marcellino - Math
Mary McCarthy - Assistant Principal
Henry Parkhurst - Social Studies
Barbara Sussbauer - English

Department Reports:

Business

The Business Department moved into their new 23-station computer lab in January 2001. Staff and students are enjoying the equipment, furniture, Internet access, and wonderful new learning environment.

Throughout the school year, approximately 350 students participate in one or more of the following Business Department electives: Beginning and advanced Accounting, Consumer Math, Marketing, Desktop Publishing, Keyboarding, and Yearbook. One of the most beneficial courses for students to take at this time in our technological age is the Computer Applications course. Instruction is provided in the five applications of the Microsoft Office 2000 software package (Word, Excel, Access, Publisher and Power Point) and it is our goal to increase class enrollment in this very useful course.

Middle School students utilize the Department's facilities with a 4.5-week touch Keyboarding rotation in seventh grade as well as a five-week Related Arts computer rotation in eighth grade.

We have successfully installed Tech Prep as an articulation program with Greenfield Community College. A pathway and brochure has been completed for Accounting. If students sign up for Tech Prep and opt to test out, they may receive college credit for their high school accounting and/or keyboarding.

The Department strives to stay abreast of new technological and business practices and continues to provide students with concepts, skills, and practical applications that they can apply in their personal and future career lives.

English

Over the summer of 2001, Barbara Sussbauer joined her husband as an English teacher at Mohawk Regional High School. Just back from a year of teaching overseas, Terri O'Brien of Brattleboro, Vermont was hired to fill Ms. Sussbauer's position as the ninth grade English teacher.

Mrs. Blackmore and Ms. O'Brien both taught the English sections of "Project Success", the after-school remediation program for students who did not pass either or both the English and math sections of the MCAS. This is a new program at PVRS to prepare juniors who fail MCAS.

For the last four years the English Department has been sampling textbooks, technology, assessment tools, and other teaching resources that will bring the department up-to-date. The process is nearly complete as the department decided to adopt Prentice Hall textbooks and teaching resources. This program addresses both national and state standards for English/language arts. The program also dovetails nicely with the new technology in the classrooms, thanks to the addition/renovation project.

This year the English Department is offering "Advanced Placement English Literature and Composition." The course offers motivated seniors the opportunity to earn college credit while in high school.

Seventh grade students are getting a double dose of English this year. Students take one English to practice nonfiction skills in reading and writing designed to prepare them for success in their academic classes throughout high school. The other section of English is fashioned to prepare students for high school writing and reading fiction.

Last year, the Department finished mapping student learning and expectations for grades 7-10. Currently, everyone in the department is serving on various committees preparing for the New England Association of Schools and Colleges fall 2002 reaccredidation visit.

Family, Consumer and Health Science

Family, Consumer, and Health Science students and teachers are thrilled to be in their new locations. Our classrooms are clean, bright and conducive to student learning. Stop in to view students conducting food science experiments, writing personal resumes on the new lap top computers, blending culture and cuisine into delicious dishes, developing interpersonal communication skills, writing conflict resolutions plays, and constructing the latest winter polar fleece fashions.

This fall we welcomed Sandy Kinsman back for her second year with the department as 3/5-health educator and 2/5-student assistant counselor. Sandy has made many positive contributions to Pioneer.

All department members have been busy writing curriculum. During the summer of 2001, Health and Human Relations 9-10, First Aid, and Nutrition and Foods curriculums were revised and realigned with the Massachusetts Comprehensive Health Framework. This department continues to provide relevant educational opportunities for students to become "contributing members of a diverse global society."

Fine Arts

The Fine Arts Department is still very much in the middle of the PVRS building project with all the associated gains and losses to the program that a large building project entails. The very strong Vocal Music program moved from temporary quarters in the Auxiliary Gym to temporary quarters in the Kiva. Instrumental music remains in their temporary quarters in the Auxiliary Gym until their "new" space is finished sometime in late February. The auditorium construction continues to move along. Karen Morgan produced an excellent all-school play that was performed at the Shea Theatre in Turners Falls this past fall. Amy Kiendzior will have her all-school musical production, *Hello Dolly,* performed at the Shea Theatre this winter. Instrumental Music Director, Josh Thompson, has had his students perform some outstanding concerts in the community this past fall and winter.

Pioneer Fine Arts faculty as well as PVRS District special subject teachers in the arts have met several times to work on curriculum coordination and Massachusetts Arts Framework alignment K through 12.

The nearly complete "new" art facility is providing very high quality workspace for the PVRS art students. We look forward to its completion and the further strengthening of the specialized program offerings in graphic arts, ceramics and sculpture.

Former Pioneer art student and present Pratt Institute student, Katrina Damkoehler of Northfield, has had her first illustrations published in a national children's monthly publication this past fall. Congratulations to Katrina.

Foreign Language

The Foreign Language Department was on the move both literally and figuratively during 2001. Our classes moved into the modular classrooms in February of 2001, moved again in September and are now anxiously awaiting our final move into the newly renovated wing in February of 2002. Not only are we moving into new classrooms but also we are advancing into the era of modern technology by updating our antiquated language of 1969 to a modern digital language lab.

During the summer of 2001 the Foreign Language Department rewrote the French and Spanish Levels I and II curriculum, and added an additional staff member to teach Spanish at the middle school level.

Industrial Arts

The industrial/technology department has a new home, with two new classrooms and a separate storage area. The new shop is a totally devoted woodworking area with all new topnotch equipment. There is a new hand-tool closet, power hand-tool closets, two band saws, a 20" planer, an 8" joiner, two drill presses, radial arm saw, table saw, two wood lathes, belt/disc sander station, a jig saw, scroll saw, four wood work benches, and a complete shop vacuum system.

The other new classroom is a drafting area with sixteen new computer-aided drafting stations. The room also contains a new drafting hand-tool closet, a plotter, two CNC machines, two printers, and a large TV monitor for CAD instruction.

This year in the IA/TECH curriculum there are two instructors that teach the following courses: six sections of eighth grade woodworking, six sections of seventh grade blueprint reading/bridge building, two sections of introduction to drafting, two sections of introduction to CAD, a full year of TECH drafting, and a full year of architectural drafting.

Math

The Mathematics Department began the year with the same teachers as it had for the past three years. In October, however, E. Orianna Marcellino accepted a teaching position elsewhere.

PVRS was fortunate to fill her position promptly, with the hiring of former Title I aide, Andi Duprey. Mrs. Duprey had been the Title I aide for middle school math for the past two years. We welcome her as a fulltime member of the department.

Both our middle school and high school programs saw some significant changes this year. As a result of the new teaming arrangement in both 7th and 8th grade, the focus became to create a more rigorous curriculum for all students. This was done so as to ensure heterogeneity in all classes at the middle school level, in keeping with the school's mission statement and with the middle school philosophy.

At the high school level, the most notable change was the creation of an Advanced Placement calculus class. While we have offered calculus throughout the years, it has never been at the AP level. Upon completion of this course, students will take an advanced placement examination. Successful work on this examination can earn a student college credits in calculus, credits which are honored at most colleges and universities.

We continue in our efforts to improve MCAS scores, both at the 8th and 10th grade levels. To this end, Patsy Casella has written grants to provide funds for remedial help for at-risk students. She ran a successful summer program for targeted students, and then organized an after-school program for current 11th graders who required MCAS remediation prior to the December retake of the exam. Ms. Casella deserves much credit for all her efforts.

Students at the high school level continue to compete monthly in the New England Mathematics League. We have expanded the number of students participating and have seen a significant rise in our scores. Next year it is hoped that we will introduce a similar activity at the middle school level.

Middle School

Good things continue to happen in the new middle school. Instead of a multitude of disjointed 'teams', we have created two five-person teams, one for seventh and one for eighth grade students. Four days a week these teacher teams meet to plan curriculum, share ideas, discuss students, and organize community building activities to foster respect and civility among classmates.

Each team publishes a quarterly newsletter containing generic information about the challenges of raising young adolescents as well as updates of course activities, and the facts, skills, and concepts being taught. Middle school teachers have also created a tight liaison with parents through email, memos, phone calls and meetings.

At the completion of the building project, the middle school will be almost completely isolated from the high school; this separation will foster adherence to the middle school philosophy of creating an environment most suitable to youngsters just entering adolescence.

Physical Education

The Physical Education Department continues to serve the students at Pioneer. The basic skills that are taught will allow our students to participate in a variety of physical activities throughout their lives. For those who participate in lifetime physical activities, statistics predict a longer and healthier life.

Keene State College uses Pioneer as a placement for their Physical Education teacher-preparation students under the direction of Sharon Schena. They have deemed our program as one of the finest in the tri-state area and are always pleased with the placements they have made at Pioneer. Sharon Schena has been active in an association developed to provide physical educators the opportunity to meet and discuss current curriculum and issues.

During the summer of 2001, Gary Lambert, Bob Englehardt and Sharon Schena met and rewrote the 7th & 8l grade curriculum. This was a worthwhile effort as we had time to discuss the previous curriculum, review and revise it.

In the fall, Sharon Schena coached girls' varsity volleyball. The girls qualified for the Western Massachusetts Tournament in a year perhaps deemed as rebuilding. With all but one player returning next season, the future looks bright. This winter, Sharon works with Gary Lambert in coaching middle school basketball. In the spring, Sharon will be working with the boys' varsity volleyball team.

In February, Sharon Schena will take Lindsey Coutu and Nicki Beckwith to Boston to represent Pioneer in the Massachusetts celebration of Girls and Women in Sports Day.

Bob Englehardt continues his busy role as Athletic Director and Physical Education teacher.

The use of the new facilities has pleased faculty and students alike. We are anxiously looking forward to using our outside facilities. Thank you townspeople for your continued support.

Science

During the last year, the Science Department has invested a great deal of time in two critical areas. The new State Science Frameworks has required a gradual revision of content and scope and sequence in most of the curriculum. The changes have resulted in the need for new curricular materials despite the fact that the district made a significant investment in new books just beginning three years ago. These books can only be used on a limited basis due to the changes in the State Frameworks. Revisions have begun in the seventh grade program and will continue through the ninth and tenth grade with the adoption of a new integrated program, which we are piloting through the National Science Foundation.

In the second area, many changes have occurred which have resulted from the building project. A great deal of time has been put into establishing a computer-based inventory. The acquisition of entirely new equipment has helped with the adoption of many new activities. For example, the department has 30 new Zeiss microscopes that are the first replacements of this critical technology since 1957. This is the first major improvement in equipment purchases in over 40 years. Today's changes in science and technology are occurring so rapidly that a district commitment to an annual budget for new equipment and the repair of presently owned equipment is critical. Clearly, we have an obligation to prepare our students for a rapidly changing technological society.

Social Studies

The Social Studies Department continues to be very busy with many projects. The 7th grade ancient civilization fair will be held in March and the 8th grade U.S. history fair will be held after MCAS testing in May. Susanne Burgess is the advisor for the roundtable, a middle school leadership group.

The 9th grade is involved in an archive project with Kathleen Nutter at Smith College.

A new course, Advanced Placement U.S. History, is being offered this year at PVRS for juniors and seniors.

Jenna Smith, a senior, will be this year's student government representative to the statehouse in April.

Tom Wells has volunteered to take the lead for the department in assisting the Northfield Historical Society in their cemetery project.

Respectfully submitted,

Gary R. Snyder,
Principal

SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED
June, 2001

Pearl B. Allen Memorial Scholarship
Kelly Shaw

Alice, Eric & Oscar Anderson Memorial Scholarship
Frank Stumpo

Stephen F. Balk Award
Bradley Schutze

Dean Beaudoin Memorial Scholarship
Melissa Morley

Bernardston Community Club Scholarship
Kevin Harrington *Daniel Liberators*

Bernardston Kiwanis Club Scholarship
Leola Carey *Aimee Duprey*

Bernardston Veterans' Organization
Leola Carey

Dona D. Cadwell Memorial Scholarship
Jessica Sweeney

Theodore Cronyn Award
Jared Patterson

Cushman Memorial Scholarship
Robert Knapp *Kelly Miner*

Jefferson P. Davis Memorial Athletic Scholarship
Tyler Blackmore *Ashley Kachelmeyer*

Leonard C. Eastman Award
Talia Ramsdell

The Sarah Finch Scholarship of the Good Neighbors Organization
LeighAnn Hall

Robert A. Foote Memorial Scholarship
Ryan Deane

Ned Green Scholarship
Frank Stumpo

Greenfield Co-Operative Bank Scholarship
Caitlin Nutter

Evelyn M. Grover/Prudence A. Barnes Memorial Award
Ryan Deane

John A. Hogan Memorial Scholarship of the Pioneer Valley Union Education Association
Katheryn Whitcomb

Orinda Phelps Holbrook Memorial Scholarship
Katheryn Whitcomb

Lois Humphrey Memorial Award
Jessica Alien

Ethel F. Jackson Memorial Scholarship
Kelly Shaw *Jessica Sweeney*

Ladies Auxiliary of Veterans of Foreign Wars Scholarship
Kelly Shaw

Evelyn O. Lawley Memorial Award
Jacqueline Raymond

Gordon W. Leavis Memorial Scholarship
Kelly Shaw

Leyden PTO Sponsored Pearl Rhodes Scholarship
Melissa Morley

Gerald and Edward McGowan Memorial Award
Adam Holloway

Northfield Country Players Award
Rebecca Kibler

Northfield Fire Department, Floyd M. Dunnell, Jr. Memorial Scholarship
Amanda Hallett *Katheryn Whitcomb*

Northfield Fortnightly Scholarship
Daniel Billings *Aimee Duprey*

Northfield Grange Award
Christopher Arsenault

Northfield Kiwanis Club

Walter F. Assenq Memorial Scholarship
Kelley Ives

F. Sumner Turner Memorial Scholarship
Kelly Shaw

Jonathan "Jake" Mayberry Scholarship
Amanda Hallett

Alfred Orleans Citizenship Award
Melissa Motley

Thaddeus M. Ostrowski Memorial Award
Talia Ramsdell

Jason Peters Memorial Scholarship
Robert Knapp

Anita L. Pike Memorial Scholarship
Frank Stumpo

Pioneer Valley Regional School Scholarships

Christopher Adamski	*Rebecca Kibler*
Jaime Barry	*Andrew Killeen*
Daniel Billings	*Nathan King*
Rachael Braskie	*Laura Kovalchick*
Holly Bressett	*Alicia Mackin*
Nell Champoux	*Luke Trill*
LeighAnn Hall	*Marie Wallace*
Kevin Harrington	*Jonathan Watt*

P.V.R.S. National Honor Society Scholarship
Bradley Schutze

P.V.R.S. Student Council Scholarship
Talia Ramsdell

Leonard D. Raymond Memorial Scholarship
Jessica Sweeney

Rotary Club of Franklin County Scholarship
Jacqueline Raymond

Isaac B. Snow Award
Talia Ramsdell *Jacqueline Raymond*

Andrew R. St. Hilaire Memorial Scholarship
Tyler Blackmore

Gerald Swinerton Memorial Scholarship
Holly Bressett *Kelly Shaw*

Tyler Family Memorial Award
Katheryn Whitcomb

George A. Warner Award
Lisa Stevens

George A. Warner Fund Scholarship
Jessica Alien

Fred W. Wells Fund Scholarship

Holly Bressett	*Kelley Ives*	*Talia Ramsdell*	*Lisa Stevens*
Ryan Deane	*Ashley Kachelmeyer*	*Jacqueline Raymond*	
Aimee Duprey	*Kathryn Martin*	*Emily Ribeiro*	

Fred R. Whitcomb Scholarship
Melissa Serviss
Lucy Wilder Memorial Humanitarian Award
Kelley Ives
Todd Douglas Wood Award
Talia Ramsdell

FRANKLIN COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT REPORT 2001

To the Residents of the Solid Waste District:

The Solid Waste District was formed in 1989 to help Franklin County towns manage all aspects of their solid waste – recyclables, compostables, hazardous waste, wastewater treatment sludge, and trash. We continue to provide assistance to member towns through administrative support, professional consultation, trainings, and outreach to residents and businesses. Our assistance can be general in nature – filling out paperwork required by the state – or specific – helping a town design its transfer station or solve a particular problem.

In addition to the above services, the District continues to oversee the operation of four permanent collection sites for common household hazardous wastes - oil-based paint and paint-related products, used motor oil, oil filters, antifreeze, fluorescent lights, ballasts, and rechargeable batteries. These sites are open year-round to all District residents. There is a small disposal fee. The sites are located in Bernardston, Colrain, Conway, and Orange.

In July 2001, the District added Heath to its member towns. We are pleased that Heath has joined and are finding ways to assist the town manage its solid waste and recycling.

In 2001, District towns recycled approximately 2800 tons of paper and 1090 tons of mixed containers. By diverting a total of 3890 tons of recyclables from landfills and incineration, District towns collectively saved approximately $245,700 in disposal costs.

Not only did towns save money by recycling, most District towns made money. Most towns receive a share of the market price for the recyclables; $1900 collectively in 2001. Most towns also participate in the Municipal Recycling Incentive Program. When a town meets certain criteria, the state pays them a set rate for every ton recycled. Although the criteria get more difficult each year, in 2001 towns collectively received almost $36,000. None of this would be possible without your commitment to recycle. Thank you.

The District held its annual household hazardous waste collection in September. Almost 240 residents participated delivering 10 tons of hazardous waste! We also collected 1200 gallons of used motor oil! This was a record breaker.

The District continues to sell backyard compost bins, recycling bins, and used oil containers. We also continue to answer questions from residents about a whole variety of problems.

Projects slated for 2002 include bids for hauling recyclables, trash, bulky items, scrap metal and appliances; ensuring trash disposal capacity regionally; special waste collections; release of a "how-to recycle" video on local cable stations; and a website with town-specific as well as general information. The website should be running by the summer of 2002.

If you have questions about the District and its programs, call us at 413-772-2438; e-mail us at fcswmd@crocker.com; or visit us at 50 Miles Street in Greenfield.

Jan Ameen - *Executive Director*
Scott McKusick, Bernardston - *Chair*
Bruce Scherer, Orange – *Vice-Chair*
Bill Obear, Whately - *Treasurer*

FRANKLIN COUNTY TECHNICAL SCHOOL ANNUAL REPORT 2001

It is a privilege to submit the Annual Report on behalf of the administration and School Committee of the Franklin County Technical School. Enrollment calculated on October 1, 2001 is as follows: Bernardston-22; Buckland-12; Colrain-22; Conway-15; Deerfield-27; Erving-10;

Gill-7; Greenfield-140; Heath-9; Leyden-5; Montague-77; New Salem-7; Northfield-19; Orange-74; Shelburne-8; Sunderland-9; Warwick-8; Wendell-8; Whately-7 and Non-District-26.

Our achievements and accomplishments during the year were noteworthy. 2001 saw a renewal of the FCTS house building program. In partnership with Rural Development Inc., FCTS students and staff from the construction cluster made the dream of affordable housing come true for the Johnson family on Winthrop Street in Millers Falls. This project, like many others our students were involved in throughout the county, provided an opportunity for them to engage in service learning activities and community service projects which are essential to citizenship development and character education. Other service projects during 2001 have benefited: Montague Food Bank; Franklin County Home Care; Athol Memorial Hospital; Boy Scouts; NELCWIT; Buckland Fire Department; Heath Elementary School; Turners Falls High School; Farren Care Center; Town of Montague; Sheffield Elementary School, Turners Falls; Town of Greenfield; Rotary Club of Greenfield; Franklin County Chamber of Commerce;
Mohawk Trail Regional High School and Pearl Rhodes Elementary School, Leyden.

Work coop remained a popular option for students in our 13 vocational programs. More extensive opportunities will become available as we expand our offerings in the areas of HVAC, CAD, CNC and computer animation.

Once again, the FCTS Eagles soared athletically. The softball team went to the semi-finals of the Western Mass. Tournament at UMASS and to the finals of the Mass. Vocational tournament. Both the girls and boys basketball teams qualified for the Western Mass. tournament. The girls team also advanced to the semi-finals of the Mass. Vocational tournament. A senior from Wendell won the Western Mass. Wrestling Championship in his weight class.
In May 2001, a senior in our Welding program from Wendell won a gold medal at the Massachusetts Skills USA-VICA competition. Later in Kansas City at the National championships, he placed 13th in the country.

June 2, 2001 represented a milestone in the history of the school as FCTS graduated its 25th senior class. The day was marked by an exceptionally inspirational valedictory address given by senior Amos Wetherbee of Shelburne. In addition to receiving diplomas, for the first time graduates were formally presented with their completed portfolios, a newly adopted requirement for graduation. Three seniors (from Colrain, Shelburne and Greenfield) were named University of Massachusetts scholars, each receiving a full four-year scholarship. Among the 93 graduates, 43 entered the work force, 42 planned continued education, 3 entered the military and 5 were uncommitted.

In the spring of 2001, the Class of 2003 took the state MCAS exams and when the scores were reported, FCTS experienced significant improvement over previous years. As academic and vocational requirements become more demanding, we find that our 26-year-old building is in need of renovations to keep pace with these challenges. A feasibility study and preliminary sketches have been presented to the school's building committee, which has been working on the project since 2000 with Dore & Whittier Architects of So. Burlington, VT. Following the preparation of a financial plan and a budget estimate, the next decision to be made is when to apply for grant funding from the state and ultimately when to seek approval from each of the 19 district towns.

We look forward to your continued support as we embark upon this renovation project and remain grateful for the faith that the citizens of Franklin County have placed in Franklin County Technical School since 1976.
Respectfully submitted, Clifford J. Fournier, School Committee Chairman, Patricia J. Bassett, Interim Superintendent/Principal

DOG LICENSES 2001

Male Dogs	169
Female Dogs	18
Spayed Female Dogs	159
Kennel (4 dogs)	11
Kennel (10 dogs)	4
Kennel (> 10 dogs)	3
Fines	$80.00

MARRIAGES 2001

Date	Name & Residence	Place of Marriage
January 6th	David J. Spaulding, Northfield, MA. Maureen Elizabeth Walz, Northfield, MA.	Northfield, MA.
January 8th	Seth Allen Hansell, Northfield, MA. Lynn Ann Bernstein, Montague, MA.	Warwick, MA.
May 26th	Robert T. St. Germain, Northfield, MA. Nancy Lee Burke, Northfield, MA.	Montague, MA.
May 26th	Johnny Alan Otto, Northfield, MA. Teresa Marie Lyons, Northfield, MA.	Greenfield, MA.
June 16th	Michael Allen Lawrence, Brighton, MA. Emily Lynn Dean, Brighton, MA.	Northfield, MA.
June 16th	John Robert Cowan, Northfield, MA. Kimberly Marie Leduc, Northfield, MA.	Greenfield, MA.
July 1st	Randall Scott Ploof, Windsor, Vermont Robin Andrea Morley, Windsor, Vermont	Wellfleet, MA.
July 13th	Michael Martin Parker, Brattleboro, Vt. Maureen Elizabeth O'Connell, Brattleboro, Vt.	Springfield, MA.
July 28th	Justin David Bigelow, Rutherford, N.J. Gail Marie Shippee, Rutherford, N.J.	Northfield, MA.
August 11th	Lindsey Arthur Lack, San Francisco, CA. Lynne Moore Ziegenhagen, San Francisco, CA.	Northfield, MA.
August 11th	Scott Michael Thayer, Northfield, MA. Erin Kate Suchanek, Northfield, MA.	Northfield, MA.
August 17th	Darrell Roger Clough, Northfield, MA. Gail Marie Doolittle, Northfield, MA.	Northfield, MA.
August 18th	Jeremiah Jayson Harkins, Lebanon, N.H. Stephanie Kathleen Shelton, Lebanon, N.H.	Arlington, MA.
August 25th	Nathan G. Peterson, Greenfield, MA. Tracey Lee Green, Greenfield, MA.	Northfield, MA.

September 15th	Nathaniel E. Bastarache, Northfield, MA. Lynn Ann Arsenault, Northfield, MA.	Northfield, MA.
September 15th	Blake Gerrard Denkers, Park City, Utah Kim Lysbeth Galvin, Park City, Utah	Northfield, MA.
September 21st	Sumner Kirk Guillow, Spofford, New Hampshire Patricia Frances Kilmartin, Spofford, New Hampshire	Deerfield, MA.
October 6th	Eric Stephen Westervelt, Northfield, MA. Lori Helen McGirr, Hinsdale, N.H.	Northfield, MA.
October 7th	Brian Joseph Rich, Keene, N.H. Nadine Joy Trahan, Keene, N.H.	Boston, MA.
October 20th	Dennis Hansen Kerbawy, Keene, N.H. Linda Jeanne Martel, Keene, N.H.	Longmeadow, MA.
November 3rd	Brian Michael Peila, Bernardston, MA. Keri Lynn Brassor, Bernardston, MA.	Northfield, MA.
December 29th	Kevin Patrick Murphy, Northfield, MA. Amy Elizabeth Baver, Northfield, MA.	W. Springfield, MA.

DEATHS 2001

Date	Name	Age
January 2nd	Chester Albert Napikoski	82 years
January 3rd	Julia Zalewski	93 years
January 17th	Elizabeth V. Mankowski	80 years
January 22nd	Genowefa Zebert	98 years
February 1st	David J. Holloway	50 years
February 17th	Ruth E. McGuire	82 years
February 24th	Ida L. Hammond	72 years
March 3rd	Elizabeth Belcher	86 years
March 17th	Rosa Johnston	83 years
March 24th	John J. Burniske	66 years
March 29th	Robert J. Leffert	73 years
April 15th	Priscilla M. Lawrence	85 years
April 21st	Barbara F. Sibley	69 years
April 21st	Blanche E. Nimmons	82 years
June 11th	Dwight Parker Stearns	72 years
June 18th	Randy R. Murdock Jr.	19 years
June 27th	Norman F. Fowler	85 years

August 21st	Wilhelm C. Glabach	87 years
August 29th	Leroy H. Edson	78 years
September 4th	Carolyn B. Parenteau	80 years
September 18th	Frank Bordner	80 years
October 1st	Eleanor A. Landis	83 years
October 17th	William J. Gabriel	84 years
October 23rd	Stanley H. Gaida	91 years
November 4th	Franklin B. Wetherbe	83 years
November 4th	Eugene J. Bruhm	89 years
December 15th	John Allan Trombley	52 years

BIRTHS 2001

Date	Name	Parents
January 15th	Madelyn Rae Fontaine	Christie & Michael Fontaine
February 20th	Evan Michael Momaney	Linda & Michael Momaney
February 24th	Jack Robert Theriault Connor Ethan Theriault	Naomi & Mark Theriault
May 4th	Maizey Kahrin Larange	Shannon & Kris Larange
May 18th	Kiana Rochelle McGraw	Roxanne & Earl McGraw Jr.
June 11th	Trevor Ryan Banford	Wendy & David Banford Jr.
June 18th	Blake Alexander Dobosz	Billie & Jason Dobosz
July 21st	Philip James Fisher	Cynthiajean & Walter Fisher
August 8th	Connor James Clough	Tracey & Wilfred Clough Jr.
September 11th	Ella Anne Bathory-Peeler	Megan & Steven Bathory-Peeler
September 26th	Hannah Michel Haughey	Sherri & Robert Haughey Jr.
October 11th	Maya Lucille Carmichael King	Bevin Carmichael & Robert King
October 26th	Olivia Grace Rogers	Tracey & Timothy Rogers
November 3rd	Jude Lindale	Sharon LaBella-Lindale & Paul Lindale
November 6th	Cameron Anthony Rice	Monique &Eugene Rice
December 4th	Abigail Marie Waite	Marcia & Robert Waite
December 7th	Jordan Carlo Smith	Tina & Richard Smith
December 14th	Brianna Nichole Benjamin	Hope & Nicholas Benjamin

Commonwealth Of Massachusetts - Town of Northfield
Special Town Meeting Minutes - May 7, 2001

The Special Town Meeting was called to order by Moderator Thomas Shearer at 7:10 p.m., at the Northfield Elementary School. One hundred and fifty four registered voters were present and voted on the following articles:

Article 1. MOVED: That the Town waive the reading of the Warrant and the Notice to the Constables and act on the motions of the following articles.

Passed/Majority Vote

Article 2. MOVED: That the Town transfer from Free Cash the sum of $3,000.00 to make drainage improvements in the vicinity of the transformer at the Northfield Elementary School.

Passed/Majority Vote

Article 3. MOVED: That the Town transfer from Free Cash the sum of $2,500.00 to supplement the FICA & Medicare account.

Passed/Majority Vote

Article 4. MOVED: That the Town transfer the sum of $3,000.00 from the Dickinson Memorial Library Climate Control account to the Dickinson Memorial Library Mold Prevention account.

Passed/Majority Vote

Article 5. MOVED: That the Town transfer the sum of $518.00 from the Radio Repeater account to the EMT Training account.

Passed/Majority Vote

Article 6. MOVED: That the Town transfer from Free Cash the sum of $12,985.33 to fund the replacement of the Town Hall boiler.

Passed/Majority Vote

Article 7. MOVED: That the Town transfer from Free Cash the sum of $175.00 to the Legal Expense account, $30.48 to the ZBA Expense account and $54.00 to the Town Clerk Expense account to pay unpaid bills from a prior fiscal year.

Passed/Unanimous Vote

The Special Town Meeting was closed by the Moderator at 7:30 p.m.

A TRUE COPY ATTEST: ***Gail V. Zukowski, Town Clerk***

The Annual Town Meeting was called to order by Moderator Thomas Shearer at 7:32 p.m., at the Northfield Elementary School. One hundred and fifty four registered voters were present and voted on the following articles;

Article 1. MOVED: That the Town waive the reading of the Warrant and the Notice to the Constables and act on the motions of the following articles.

Passed/Majority Vote

Article 2. MOVED: That the Town hear and act upon the reports of the several Town Officers, Boards, Committees, Commissions and Trustees.

Passed/Majority Vote

Article 3. MOVED: That the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept from any association, agency, proprietorship, corporation, enterprise, individual, etc., a sum or sums of money, or other gift for the benefit of the Town or any of its departments, etc.

Passed/Majority Vote

Article 4. MOVED: That the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for state or federal grants and to expend any monies received, as set forth in the appropriate grant application.

Passed/Majority Vote

Article 5. MOVED: That the Town accept and expend any sum or sums of money that may be available from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts (Massachusetts Highway Department) for Chapter 90-type construction/improvements/reconstruction of public ways; and authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into contracts relative thereto, and to appropriate said sum or sums in anticipation of reimbursement from the Commonwealth.

Passed/Majority Vote

Article 6. MOVED: That the Town approve that upon exceeding the levy limit, any monies appropriated that exceed the Town's Finance Committee recommendation under Article 7, or any other article of this Fiscal Year 2002 Annual Town Meeting, shall be contingent upon the approval by the voters of an Override of Proposition 2 ½.

Passed/Majority Vote

Article 7. MOVED: That the Town, under the provisions of Chapter 41, Section 108 of the General Laws of Massachusetts, or any amendments thereto, fix the salaries of all elected officials for Fiscal Year 2002, and raise and appropriate any sum or sums therefor, and further raise and appropriate any sum or sums of money for the maintenance of the several departments of the Town, and for other necessary charges in accordance with the amounts recommended by the Finance Committee.

		RECOMMENDED
MODERATOR SALARY		1.00
MODERATOR EXPENSE		80.00
SELECTMEN SALARIES		4603.00
	2002rec	
Chairman	1595.00	

others	1504.00	
SELECTMEN EXPENSE		10450.00
ADMIN ASST SALARY		40214.00
ADMIN ASST EXPENSE		1000.00
SECRETARY SALARY		25941.00
FINANCE COMM EXPENSE		1450.00
RESERVE FUND		10000.00
ACCOUNTANT SALARY		18363.00
ACCOUNTANT EXPENSE		335.00
ASSESSORS SALARIES		5167.00
	2002rec	
Chairman	1795.00	
others	1686.00	
ASSESSORS CLERK SALARY		25537.00
ASSESSORS EXPENSE		9150.00
TREASURER SALARY		8401.00
TREASURER EXPENSE		3000.00
TAX COLLECTOR SALARY		8401.00
TAX COLLECTOR EXPENSE		5000.00
TOWN LEGAL COUNSEL		15000.00
COMPUTER SUPPLY/SERVICE		6873.00
TAX TITLE FORECLOSURE		2300.00
COPY MACHINE SUPPL/SERVICE		1955.00
TOWN CLERK SALARY		16972.00
TOWN CLERK EXPENSE		1685.00
ELECTIONS & REGISTRATIONS		5250.00
CONSERV COMMISSION		1682.00
PLANNING BOARD		1450.00
ZONING/APPEALS BOARD		800.00
LAND DAMAGES		1.00
TOWN HALL CUSTODIAN		9746.00
CUSTODIAN EXPENSE		100.00
BLDG MAINT PERSON		28999.00
BLDG MNT PER EXPENSE		2250.00
TOWN HALL MAINT		20600.00
TOWN REPORTS		4000.00
TOWN CLOCK		150.00
TOTAL		296906.00
POLICE WAGES & SALARIES		135923.00
	2002rec	
Chief	46544.00	
Sargeant	34151.00	
Third Officer	15750.00	
P.T. Officer	25544.00	
Holiday	3105.00	
O.T. wages	7413.00	
Quinn Bill	3416.00	
POLICE OPER EXPENSE		20750.00
FIRE DEPT SALARIES		4037.00
	2002rec	
Chief	2133.00	
First fire warden	428.00	

Pub Safety Officer	214.00		
Fire Dept. Sect'y	284.00		
Asst. Chief	435.00		
Captain	217.00		
Lieut(4) req 3	326.00		
FIRE DEPT WAGES			29471.00
FIRE DEPT OPER EXP			10750.00
HOSE & EQUIPMENT			7500.00
INSPECTION FEES			2000.00
HYDRANTS			5460.00
MAINT FIRE STATION			9500.00
FIREPONDS/WATERHOLES			3000.00
EMT WAGES & SALARIES			11542.00
EMT EXPENSE			4600.00
BLDG INSPECTOR SALARY			19353.00
BLDG INSPECTOR EXPENSE			2590.00
GAS INSPECTIONS			1500.00
WIRE INSPECTOR PROGRAM			18458.00
CIVIL DEFENSE			750.00
DOG OFFICER SALARY			2486.00
DOG OFFICER EXPENSE			1450.00
TREE DEPT WAGES & EXPENSE			8500.00
CONSTABLES WAGES			621.00
CONSTABLES EXPENSE			30.00
FENCE VIEWERS, ETC			1.00
TOTAL			300272.00
PVRS-OPER ASSMNT			2193007.00
PVRS-BLDG PROJ ASSESSMENT			563609.90
PVRS-TCHRS SALARY DEFERRAL			4536.47
FRKLN CTY TECH SCHOOL-OPER ASSMNT			210219.00
FRKLN CTY TECH SCHOOL-CAPTL ASSMNT			6173.00
ELEM SCHOOL MAINT			0.00
TOTAL			2977545.37
HWY SUPT EXPENSE			6480.00
HIGHWAY DEPT WAGES			195628.00
HWY, BRIDGES & RAILS			125000.00
OILING & STONING			60000.00
SNOW REMOVAL WAGES		Comb. w/ hwy wages	
SNOW REMOVAL EXPENSE			51800.00
STREET LIGHTS			12500.00
MACHINERY MAINTENANCE			71000.00
MAINT HIGHWAY GARAGE			4000.00
HWY BOUNDS,SURVEY,LISTS			1.00
SOLID WASTE DISTRICT			4930.00
WASTE DISPOSAL			133800.00
SEWER COMM SALARIES			1163.00
SEWER COMM EXPENSE			67.00
SEWER DEPT COLLECTOR			572.00
SEWER DEPT WAGES			54763.00
OP & MAINT SEWER PLANT			67071.00

CEMETERY WAGES & EXPENSE		3600.00
TOTAL		793575.00
BD OF HEALTH SALARIES		1936.00
BD OF HEALTH EXPENSE		4573.00
PLUMBING INSPECTOR		5000.00
SECRETARY-BD OF HEALTH	Comb/ w BOH exp.	
SHARED HEALTH AGENT		8011.25
SEPTIC SYSTEM INSP FEES		2000.00
ANIMAL INSPECTOR		1500.00
COUNCIL ON AGING		10296.00
SOLDIERS RELIEF		2500.00
TOTAL		35816.25
DICKINSON LIBRARY WAGES		62048.00
DICKINSON LIBRARY EXP		24225.00
NFLD FARMS LIBRARY		500.00
RECREATION COMM		8530.00
REC PROGRM DIRECTR		3623.00
MAINT ATHLETIC FIELD		2000.00
HISTORICAL SOC BLDG		0.00
HISTORICAL COMMISSION		375.00
MEMORIAL DAY		1250.00
ALEXANDER HALL		340.00
FRCOG ASSESSMENT		23564.00
TOTAL		126455.00
MATURING DEBT- PRIN		216469.76
Sewer (bnds 1/92)	20000.00	
Sch (bnds 1/92)	170000.00	
Sewer (bnds 7/93)	26469.76	
INT ON LONG TERM DEBT		121616.24
Sewer (bnds 1/92)	10170.00	
Sch (bnds 1/92)	86445.00	
Sewer (bnds 7/93)	25001.24	
INT ON SHORT TERM DEBT		3000.00
TOTAL		341086.00
WORKERS COMP INSURANCE		7500.00
UNEMPLOYMENT		1000.00
HEALTH INSURANCE		90310.00
LIFE INSURANCE		1200.00
MEDICARE/FICA		18000.00
OTHER INSURANCE		33000.00
TOTAL		151010.00
GRAND TOTAL		**5022665.62**

Passed/Majority Vote

Article 8. MOVED: Move the article.

The full text of Article 8 is as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to add the Town of Heath as a member of the Franklin County Solid Waste Management District and therefore amend Article 1 Paragraph 4 of the Franklin County Solid Waste Management district Agreement pursuant to Article 7 of said agreement by adding "Heath" to the list of District member municipalities, subject to the following terms:

The Town of Heath shall be admitted as a member of the District, effective July 1, 2001, by paying a one-time membership fee to the District of $648 plus an annual assessment of $1159 for Fiscal Year 2002 and the future assessments based upon the same assessment formula applied to all District member municipalities and shall comply with all other provisions of the District Agreement.

2. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Franklin County Solid Waste Management District Agreement as follows:

a) to change the name of the District's governing body from "Committee" to "Board of Representatives" throughout the Agreement;
b) Article 1, Paragraph 4, to add "Buckland" and "Conway" to the list of member municipalities (having been inadvertently omitted previously);
c) Article1, Paragraph 4, to delete "Greenfield" from the list member municipalities;
d) Article 2, Paragraph Quorum, to determine that a quorum for transacting business made up of more than 50% of "appointed representatives;"
e) to amend Article 4 Paragraph 1 to read "The District may own, operate, construct, contract for the use of or otherwise provide one or more programs for the use of the member municipalities. The District may purchase or take by eminent domain under chapter seventy-nine land within member municipalities. Any program which the District operates may be located within the District or in a non-member town. The District may lease land or buildings within a non-member town. All District owned, leased, and /or operate facilities shall be sited in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations"
f) Article 6, Paragraph Schedule for Annual Budget, to change the schedule for the annual budget from "November 15th" to "the regularly schedule November meeting;"
g) to amend Article 9, by inserting a new paragraph to read "Municipalities may request to withdraw from the District at any time. However, notification of withdrawal effective in the next fiscal year must be received by the District no later that the second week of January of the fiscal year. Requests for withdrawal received after this date shall result in the District requiring full payment of the withdrawing municipality's assessment for the next fiscal year."
h) to amend Article 11, the definition of "District Sold waste Program" by deleting "Department of Environmental Quality Engineering" and adding "Department of Environmental Protection" and adding (a facility) that is owned and operated by the District" or any contract or services administered by the District."
i) to amend Article 11, the definition of "Hazardous Waste" to read "shall mean material regulated as such by state and federal statutes."
j) to amend Article 11, the definition of "Solid Waste" to include "residential" waste and delete" but does not include Hazardous Wastes," or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

NOTE: The full text of the proposed amendments is available in a report on file with the Selectmen's Office and available for public inspection upon request.)

Passed/ Majority Vote

Article 9. MOVED: That the Town of Northfield supports the legislation that will create a Local Roads Trust Fund, financed through a percentage of the existing Massachusetts gas tax or another source of funding such as the Registry of Motor Vehicle fees, that would supply the municipalities of Massachusetts with a secure and dedicated source of funds, equaling at least $150 million, for local road maintenance and repair, and urges its Representatives and Senator to support such legislation.

Passed/Majority Vote

Article 10. MOVED: That the Town designate as an Economic Opportunity Area (EOA), the area more particularly described in the Carriage House EOA application dated April 25, 2001 and shown as parcel D 5.1 of Assessor's Map 17, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to offer a Tax Increment Financing package for said qualified economic development project within above described Economic Opportunity Area.

Passed/Majority Vote

Article 11. MOVED: That the Town approve the Project Certification Application signed and dated 2/28/01 submitted by Michael Humphries Woodworking, Inc. for a facility located within the Carriage House Economic Opportunity Area, and the tax increment financing agreement between Michael Humphries Woodworking, Inc. and the Town of Northfield. This approval confirms the information contained in the Project Certification Application that:

a. The project, as proposed is consistent with and can reasonably be expected to benefit significantly from inclusion in the Economic Opportunity Area;
b. The project will not overburden the Town's infrastructure and utilities servicing the Economic Opportunity Area; and,
c. The project, as described in the Project Certification Application, will have a reasonable chance of increasing employment opportunities for residents of the project Economic Target Area, thereby reducing blight and economic depression. The Town requests that the project be designated as a certified project for a term of 20 years.

Passed/Majority Vote

Article 12. MOVED: That the Town approve the Project Certification Application signed and dated 10/23/00 submitted by Michael Humphries Woodworking, Inc. for a facility located within the 105 Main Street Business Center Economic Opportunity Area, and the tax increment financing agreement between Michael Humphries Woodworking, Inc. and the Town of Northfield. This approval confirms the information contained in the Project Certification Application that:

a. The project, as proposed is consistent with and can reasonably be expected to benefit significantly from inclusion in the Economic Opportunity Area;
b. The project will not overburden the Town's infrastructure and utilities servicing the Economic Opportunity Area; and,
c. The project, as described in the Project Certification Application, will have a reasonable chance of increasing employment opportunities for residents of the project Economic Target Area, thereby reducing blight and economic depression. The Town requests that the project be designated as a certified project for a term of 20 years.

Passed/Majority Vote

Article 13. MOVED: That the Town amend the vote establishing a Nonpartisan Caucus Committee, Article 44 of the Annual Town Meeting of May 1, 1989 to remove any required party designations from the committee membership by replacing the phrase "a committee consisting of one Republican, one Democrat and one un-enrolled voter" with the phrase "a committee consisting of three persons."

Passed/Majority Vote

Article 14. MOVED: That the Town amend the vote establishing an elected Recreation Commission of seven members to an elected Recreation Commission of five members, Article 34 of Annual Town Meeting of April 2, 1974, effective as of the Annual Elections in 2002 by eliminating the two positions elected for one year terms. **Passed/Majority Vote**

Article 15. MOVED: That the Town authorize the use of a Revolving Fund for the purpose of operating Northfield Community Television, the Town's Public Access TV Station, which fund shall be credited with receipts realized by franchise fees from AT&T, the Town's cable TV service provider, under the authority and direction of the Cable TV Advisory Committee, such expenditures not to exceed $1,500.00. **Passed/Majority Vote**

Article 16. MOVED: That the Town authorize the use of a Revolving Fund for the purpose of conducting a town-wide special gathering, "The Great Northfield Barbecue," on Labor Day Weekend, 2001, which fund shall be credited with receipts from sponsors and fees charged to vendors under the authority and direction of the Board of Selectmen, such expenditures not to exceed $10,000.00. **Passed/Majority Vote**

Article 17. MOVED: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $35,000.00 for the purpose of designing, permitting, construction, and any related work for the erection of a Veterans' Memorial monument and flag pole, to be located near the Town Hall subject to the approval of location by the Town Planning Board and input from the Historical Commission.

Passed/Unanimous Vote

Article 18. MOVED: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $44,850.00 to purchase a one-ton truck with a dump body for the Highway Department and dispose of the 1993 Ford one-ton truck.

Passed/Majority Vote

Article 19. MOVED: That the Town transfer from the Police Station Account the sum of $15,000.00 to repair and/or reconstruct the sidewalks.

Defeated/ Majority Vote
Ayes – 48/ Nays - 65

Article 20. MOVED: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $12,500.00 to construct a maintenance shed.

Defeated/Majority Vote

Article 21. MOVED: That the Town transfer from the Police Station Account the sum of $25,000.00 to renovate the balcony in the Town Hall, contingent on the Town receiving a Community Development Block Grant to fund a handicap accessibility project at the Town Hall.

Defeated/Majority Vote

Article 22. MOVED: That the Town take from additional lottery aid the sum of $6,800.00 to fund a study to determine the feasibility of renovating the property at 65 Main Street (Assessors property card Map 31A, Block A17) for municipal use.

Defeated/Majority Vote

Article 23. MOVED: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $30,000.00 to purchase computers and associated lab peripherals for the Northfield Elementary School.

Passed/Majority Vote

Article 24. MOVED: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $10,600.00 for capital repairs to the Northfield Elementary School.

Passed/Majority Vote

Article 25. MOVED: That the Town " Take no Action on Article 25"
(Please note the text of Article 25 is as follows:

That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $4000.00 to purchase and install a safety fence for the playground of the Northfield Elementary School, including site preparation, to meet the safety standards of the Early Childhood Programs, as necessary.)

Passed/Majority Vote

Article 26. MOVED: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $8,000.00 to preserve the record books in the Board of Assessors office.

Passed/Majority Vote

Article 27. MOVED: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $5,000.00 to fund the part-time position of assistant assessor. **Passed/Majority Vote**

Article 28. MOVED: That the Town transfer the sum of $5,000.00 from the Dog Fund account for the purpose of renovating space and improving services in the Children's Room at the Dickinson Memorial Library.

Passed/Majority Vote

Article 29. MOVED: That the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $9,782.00, to hire one eighteen (18) hour a week staff assistant to assist the staff with all library services and to create and administer special programs for all patrons; and furthermore raise and appropriate an amount to supplement the accounts in Article 7 to provide benefits for the assistant as follows:
FICA & Medicare: $748.00 **Passed/Majority Vote**

Article 30. MOVED: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $4,000.00 to refurbish and update the electrical system in the Dickinson Memorial Library.

Passed/Majority Vote

Article 31. MOVED: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $52,000.00 for the Stabilization Fund/Account.

Passed/Majority Vote

Article 32. MOVED: That the Town vote to instruct the Assessors to transfer from Free Cash the sum of $475,000.00 for the purpose of reducing the Tax Levy for Fiscal Year 2002.

Passed/Majority Vote

There being no further business to come before the Town, The Annual Town Meeting was adjourned by the Moderator Thomas Shearer at 10:28 p.m.

A TRUE COPY ATTEST: ***Gail V. Zukowski, Town Clerk***

At the time and place set forth in the Warrant, the polls were opened at 8:00 a.m. One hundred and fifty four votes were cast with the following results;

SELECTMAN
THREE YEAR TERM
Vote for one

Alana L. Gadreault	126
Robert Barnes	2
Steve Field	1
Betty Gibson	1
Bernard H. McGarrah	1
Blanks	23

LIBRARY TRUSTEES
THREE YEAR TERM
Vote for two

Margot W. Fleck	97
Janet Wood	119
John P. Cevasco	67
Blanks	25

PLANNING BOARD
TWO YEAR TERM
Vote for one

Donald Campbell	146
Blanks	8

PLANNING BOARD
FOUR YEAR TERM
Vote for one

Richard G. Parsons	97
Blanks	21

PLANNING BOARD
FIVE YEAR TERM
Vote for one

Matthew D. Duska	143
Blanks	11

BOARD OF HEALTH
THREE YEAR TERM
Vote for two

Kathryn Bridges Gray	142
David F. Nadeau	128
Pamela Veith	5
Tom Walker	1
Blanks	32

SEWER COMMISSION

THREE YEAR TERM

Vote for one

Dan A. Gray	142
Blanks	12

RECREATION COMMISSION

ONE YEAR TERM

Vote for one

Lee Dresser	1
John Jones *	2
Walter Nutter	1
Deb Parker	1
Jim Penniman	1
Ron Reid	1
Lori Shaw	1
Barbara White	1
Amy Whiteman	1
Blanks	144

* Declined position resulting in a vacancy for that position

RECREATION COMMISSION

THREE YEAR TERM

Vote for three

Stephen W. Bachinski	145
Ferne B. Bork	136
Kimberly A. Godfrey	138
Blanks	43

CONSTABLE

THREE YEAR TERM

Vote for four

David R. Brassor	145
Fredd M. Fuller	145
James B. O'Shea	143
John D. Ware	148
Blanks	35

ASSESSOR

THREE YEAR TERM

Vote for one

Eugene A. L'Etoile	142
Blanks	12

The Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m.

Election workers:

Edward Fortier-- Warden	Betty Gibson
Jane Abbott	Helen Gorzocoski
Edwin Finch	Ruth Johnson
Alice Fortier	Jo Ann Newton

Weather --- Sunny, warm --- 70 degrees
Registered Voters --- 1965
Votes Cast --- 154
Voter Turnout --- 13%
A true copy.
Attest:_____
Gail V. Zukowski, Northfield Town Clerk

SEWER COMMISSION ANNUAL REPORT 2001

The Board of Sewer Commissioners set the user Rate at $ 267.06 per unit for the fiscal year 2001/2002. The Sewer Department was eligible for state money through the Sewer Rate Relief Fund and received $ 16,328 , which is based on our loan debt. This money is only used to reduce the rate.

The Commission has had a very trying time the last part of the year, dealing with contractors and other utilities over a sewer main break Main St. at Moody St.

In 2001, we had no new sewer hookups added to our plant. Again the Board would like to acknowledge our Chief Operator, Jack Patch and the part-time staff, for another outstanding job throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Gray, Chair
Gary Sibilia
Everett Wickline

TAX COLLECTORS REPORT 7/1/00 - 6/30/01

REAL ESTATE

2002	Collected		277.40
2001	Committed	3001958.17	
	Refunds	6921.50	
	Collected		2916925.49
	Abated		20025.32
	Balance 6/30/00		71928.86
2000	Outstanding 7/1/00	58658.95	
	Refunds	1170.02	
	Collected		36122.47
	Uncollected		23706.50
1999	Outstanding 7/1/00	22688.69	
	Collected		21323.69
	Uncollected		1365.00

1998	Outstanding 7/1/00	1318.12	
	Collected		1318.21
PERSONAL PROPERTY			
2001	Committed	212324.20	
	Refunds	94.06	
	Abated		104.02
	Collected		211914.30
	Uncollected		399.94
2000	Outstanding 7/1/00	402.94	
	Collected		121.46
	Uncollected		255.02
1999	Outstanding 7/1/00	436.60	
	Collected		211.38
	Uncollected		225.22
1998	Outstanding 7/1/00	222.43	
	Uncollected		222.43
1997	Outstanding 7/1/00	121.84	
	Uncollected		121.84
1996	Outstanding 7/1/00	118.18	
	Uncollected		118.18
1995	Outstanding 7/1/00	63.55	
	Uncollected		63.55
1994	Outstanding 7/1/00	37.66	
	Uncollected		37.66
1993	Outstanding 7/1/00	37.21	
	Uncollected		37.21
1992	Outstanding 7/1/00	34.29	
	Uncollected		34.29
1991	Outstanding 7/1/00	43.10	
	Uncollected		43.10
1990	Outstanding 7/1/00	40.46	
	Uncollected		40.46
CHAPTER 61			
2001	Committed	872.83	
	Collected		872.83
FORREST PRODUCTS			
2001	Committed	56.80	
	Collected		56.80

FARM ANIMAL			
2000	Committed	3748.42	
	Collected		3738.25
	Uncollected		10.17
1999	Outstanding 7/1/00	56.44	
	Uncollected		56.44
1998	Outstanding 7/1/00	27.08	
	Uncollected		27.08
1997	Outstanding 7/1/00	278.59	
	Uncollected		278.59
1996	Outstanding 7/1/00	108.13	
	Uncollected		108.13
MOTOR VEHICLE			
2001	Committed	230476.11	
	Refunds	1488.41	
	Collected		204415.97
	Abated		4585.48
	Uncollected		22963.07
2000	Outstanding 7/1/00	28869.94	
	Committed	33193.34	
	Refunds	2890.78	
	Collected		56788.55
	Abated		3342.23
	Uncollected		4823.28
1999	Outstanding 7/1/00	3023.53	
	Committed	4240.10	
	Collected		5147.84
	Uncollected		2115.79
1998	Outstanding 7/1/00	1795.72	
	Committed	178.13	
	Collected		164.48
	Uncollected		1809.37
1997	Outstanding 7/1/00	1722.74	
	Uncollected		1722.74
1996	Outstanding 7/1/00	987.49	
	Collected		37.50
	Uncollected		949.99
1995	Outstanding 7/1/00	1384.27	
	Collected		99.37
	Uncollected		1284.90

1994	Outstanding 7/1/00	473.73	
	Uncollected		473.73
1993	Outstanding 7/1/00	561.99	
	Uncollected		561.99
1992	Outstanding 7/1/00	527.58	
	Uncollected		527.58
1991	Outstanding 7/1/00	534.58	
	Committed	63.75	
	Collected		63.75
	Uncollected		534.58
1990	Outstanding 7/1/00	814.53	
	Committed	163.75	
	Collected		163.75
	Uncollected		814.53
1989	Outstanding 7/1/00	844.96	
	Committed	86.67	
	Collected		86.67
	Uncollected		844.96
BOAT EXCISE			
2000	Committed	445.00	
	Abated		15.00
	Collected		330.50
	Uncollected		99.50
1999	Outstanding 7/1/011	155.00	
	Collected		50.00
	Uncollected		105.00
1998	Outstanding 7/1/00	40.00	
	Collected		25.00
	Uncollected		15.00
1996	Outstanding 7/1/00	10.00	
	Uncollected		10.00
SEWER USE			
2001	Collected		541.72
2000	Committed	137783.25	
	Refunds	111.70	
	Collected		132978.35
	Uncollected		4916.60
1999	Outstanding 7/1/011	2685.27	
	Comm. Interest	376.01	
	Collected		2567.02
	Uncollected		494.26

1998	Outstanding 7/1/00	598.17	
	Uncollected		598.17
1997	Outstanding 7/1/00	569.06	
	Uncollected		569.06
1996	Outstanding 7/1/00	527.54	
	Uncollected		527.54

TREASURERS REPORT 7/1/00 TO 6/30/01

GENERAL ACCOUNT

GREENFIELD CO-OPERATIVE BANK

Balance per statement 6/30/01	19010.00	
Deposits in transit	47694.11	
Outstanding Checks	57271.95	
Balance per checkbook		9432.16
GENERAL INVESTMENT		
Mass. Muni. Depos. Trust		107366.43
State Street Bank & Trust		606190.07
UniBank		409953.21
Greenfield Co-operative		1022675.07
INTEREST EARNED - GENERAL		
Mass. Muni. Depos. Trust	6073.58	
State Street Bank & Trust	15412.99	
UniBank	14186.77	
Greenfield Co-operative (sweep)	22584.47	
STABILIZATION FUND		
Balance 7/1/00	166830.03	
Interest earned	10003.20	
Balance 6/30/01		176833.23
STABILIZATION INVESTMENT		
Mass. Muni. Depos. Trust		176833.23
ARTS COUNCIL		
Balance 7/1/00	2334.67	
Receipts	3300.00	
Interest earned	55.39	
Payments per warrant	4162.00	
Balance 6/30/01		1528.06
GREENFIELD CO-OPERATIVE BANK		
Bankbook balance		1528.06
AERIAL LADDER		
Balance 7/1/00	5449.83	

Interest earned	123.12	
Balance 6/30/01		5572.95
GREENFIELD CO-OPERATIVE BANK		
Bankbook balance		5572.95
RECREATION COMMISSION		
Balance 7/1/00	5674.14	
Receipts	10427.50	
Interest Earned	59.58	
Payments per warrant	6535.15	
Balance 6/30/01		9626.07
GREENFIELD CO-OPERATIVE BANK		
Balance per statement	5082.71	
Outstanding checks	247.14	
Deposit in transit	4790.50	
Balance per checkbook		9626.07

TRUST FUNDS	Balance	Interest	Int.toTreas	Deposits	Withdraw	Balance 6/30/01
LIBRARY						
C.Ina Merriman	1589.24	71.14				1660.38
Belcher Funds	13309.60	595.90				13905.50
Chas. Dickinson	4003.39	179.25				4182.64
Maude Montague	2849.89	127.59				2977.48
Marina Stanley	636.82	26.61			101.09	562.34
Richard G. Holton	631.66	28.27				659.93
Nfld. Chap. DAR	145.49	6.52				152.01
Ethel Jackson	360.94	16.18				377.12
Paul Bowman	78824.34	3601.08			2538.88	79886.54
Giles Mem. Fund	2511.99	112.47				2624.46
McGowan Mem. Fund	9139.19	409.19				9548.38
Dickinson Lib.Build.	3892.67	177.22		70.00		4139.89
CHARITY						
Starkweather	42754.88	1914.20				44669.08
George Morgan	14880.28	655.71			500.00	15.035.99
Elisha Alexander	13149.73	588.76				13738.49
Lottie Evans	7463.16	334.13				7797.29
Roselle Evans	3013.75	134.93				3148.68
SCHOOL						
Belcher Center	2970.19	133.00				3103.19
Surplus Rev. Fund	2351.83	105.31				2457.14
PRESERVATION HISTORICAL MARKERS						
Willis K. Parker	1696.76	75.97				1772.73
BEAUTIFY MAIN STREET						
Ethel Jackson	1765.21	79.02				1844.23

MARTHA ALEXANDER FUND						
Gfld Savings	49696.04	2284.63				51980.67
Gfld Co-operative	3342.47	29.56		1659.37	2000.00	3031.40
Gfld Co-operative	30311.29		1659.37	2000.00		32311.29
CEMETERIES						
Center	34056.32	1447.46			2619.00	32884.78
West Nfld.	15207.68	620.47	MOSON	250.00	2263.50	13814.65
Pentecost	4211.52	194.51	BRENNAN	125.00		5031.03
			HURLBURT	250.00		
			HOLLOWAY	250.00		
Nfld. Farms	12046.96	505.66			1170.00	11382.62
Mt. Hermon	9730.97	427.40			384.00	9774.37
So. Mountain	142.39	6.38				148.77
TERCENTENARY COMMITTEE						
UniBank	807.97	36.19				844.16

VETERANS' MEMORIAL MONUMENT
HONOR ROLL COMMITTEE OF NORTHFIELD ANNUAL REPORT 2001

In May of 1998, the Northfield Board of Selectmen appointed an Honor Roll Committee to establish a War Memorial honoring Northfield Veterans. Members of the committee from the Northfield VFWE Post 9874 were Paul H. Carpenter, chairman, Thadd W. Bistrek, Secretary. Other Committee Members were Edward E. Doolittle, Charles F. Field, James W. Field, Thomas J. Hurley, Raymond J. Parenteau and Donald L. Randall. Ronald F. Reid was the Honor Roll Liaison from the Board of Selectmen.

One year before the Committee was appointed, Paul H. Carpenter and James W. Field were working on the idea of a War Memorial for the town and spent many hours visiting area towns with established memorials honoring their veterans. Subsequent to their research, Mr. Carpenter then approached the Board of Selectmen to appoint an Honor Roll Committee. The Committee met once a month from August 12, 1998 to October 10, 2001.

In the beginning, letters were written and notices posted in various public places in town and on the local Cable TV Channel, inviting veterans to submit copies of Form DD-214 to qualify for placement on the monument. The Committee also made countless phone calls to locate veterans.

In May 2001, the Town Meeting, on recommendation of the Finance Committee, appropriated $35,000 for the Memorial, and the Town Meeting citizens passed the article. The bids then went out for the Memorial and the Keene Monument Company of Keene, New Hampshire was awarded to contract.

On November 11, 2001, the Northfield Honor Roll of War Veterans was dedicated. We wish to thank the following people for their dedication to this project: The Citizens of the Town of Northfield, The Honor Roll Committee: Paul H. Carpenter, Chairman; Thadd W. Bistrek, Secretary; Edward E. Doolittle, Charles F. Field, James W. Field, Thomas J. Hurley, Master of Ceremonies at the Dedication; Raymond J. Parenteau and Donald L. Randall. Ronald F. Reid, Honor Roll Liaison to the Selectboard; Leo J. Parent, Director of the Department of Veterans' Services; current and past Boards of Selectmen; State Senator Stephen m. Brewer and his staff; Keene Monument Company President Jay Blanchard and his staff; the Northfield Highway Department, David E. Laprade; Eugene and Bonnie L'Etoile; John H. Thayer; Members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9874; Michael G. Schena, Videographer from Pioneer Video Productions and Steve Wiggin Landscaping.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

State Senate

Official Citation

Be it Known, that the Massachusetts Senate
Hereby extends its Congratulations to:

PAUL CARPENTER

In Recognition of:

YOUR OUTSTANDING EFFORTS IN COORDINATING THE ERECTION
OF THE NORTHFIELD VETERANS HONOR ROLL MONUMENT ; and

Be it further Known that the Massachusetts
Senate extends best wishes for continued success;
that this Citation be duly signed by the
President of the Senate and attested to and a copy
thereof transmitted by the Clerk of the Senate.

By: Thomas F. Birmingham
President of the Senate

Attest: Patrick F. Scanlan
Clerk of the Senate

Offered by: Stephen M. Brewer
State Senator

Date: November 11, 2001

VETERANS' SERVICES UPDATE 2001

To Veterans and Citizens:
The Franklin County VA Outpatient Clinic at 51 Sanderson Street, Greenfield has been open for one year as of November 17, 2001. To date, over 1,000 veterans have registered for services. To register with the VA Clinic, call 413 773-8428 or 413 863-3205.

The Massachusetts Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Agawam is open to veterans wishing to pre-register for interment. There is no cost for pre-registration and it does not obligate the veteran to be interred in the cemetery. Spouse, widows or widowers who have not remarried, and dependent children of eligible veterans may also be interred at the cemetery. For more information, please call 413 821-9500.

A $1,500 annuity award is available to un-remarried spouses of certain deceased veterans whose death occurred during active service in a time of war, insurrection or combat. This annuity is paid biannually on August 1st and February 1st at the rate of $750. A veteran who has been determined to be 100% disabled by the Veterans' Administration to be service connected, shall be paid the same sum of $1,500 annually. Feel free to call me at my office 413 863-3205 or write to Department of Veteran Services, Central Franklin County District, PO Box 392 190 Millers Falls Road, Turners Falls, MA 01376.

Sincerely,
Leo J. Parent, Jr. Director Veterans' Services

WELLS TRUSTEES SCHOLARSHIP FUND ANNUAL REPORT 2001

Funds available for the fiscal year 2001/2002 were $188,891 includes unused scholarship money from 1999 - 2000 that was reallocated to the scholarship fund).

EDUCATION: The Trustees received 267 applications for education scholarships and approved 237 students to receive $157,800. This amount includes the two $1000 scholarships in honor of Ralph and Hilda Haskins. The Trustees spent many hours on the selection process to ensure that as many students as possible could receive scholarship aid.

HEALTH:

Four Health programs were approved totaling $22,000

Hospice of Western New England (formerly Hospice of Franklin County)	$ 9000.
NELCWIT	9000.
Parents Helping Parents	2000.
Pastoral Counseling Center	2000.

AGRICULTURE:

The Trustees allowed an amount of $9091

Franklin County Agricultural Fair	5591.
Heath Agricultural	3100.
Shelburne Grange Fair	400.

Respectfully submitted, Theodore G. Penick, Trustee

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Telephone Directory & Office Hours for Town Departments and other numbers

Town Hall Telephone (413) 498-2901 Fax (413) 498-5103

TOWN HALL

Accountant	Deb Mero, ext 11	498-2901
Administrative Assistant	Susan Draves, ext 15	M-Th 9-5, Fri 9-1 sdraves@crocker.com
Assessors' Clerk	Carol Holden, ext 18	M T Th 8-3:30, W 8-2 & 6-8, Fri 9-noon
Board of Health Clerk	Nancy Mayberry, ext 17	498-2901 - Wed 4-8 pm
Board of Selectmen		498-2901
Building Inspector	James Hawkins, ext 22	T & Th 6 - 7:30 pm
Dog Officer	Polly Severance	498-4377 evenings
Police Department	Gary Sibilia, Chief	498-5118 npd@crocker.com
Senior Center	Joanne Balzarini, Director	498-2186 or ext 14
Tax Collector/Treasurer	Barbara Brassor, ext 13	M & W 8-3, Wed 6-8 pm
Town Clerk	Gail Zukowski, ext 12	M & T 9-5 & Wed 4-8 pm
Town Secretary	Marilyn Gabriel, ext 10	M - F 8:30 am - 12:30 pm & 1-4 pm

OTHER FREQUENTLY CALLED NUMBERS

Dickinson Memorial Library	Debra Kern, Director	498-2455 dmemlib@cwmars.org
Emergencies 911	**or Shelburne Control for non emergencies (413) 625-8200**	
Fire Department	Floyd "Skip" Dunnell, III	498-5100 Fax: (413) 498-5101
Highway Department	David "Mike" Gibson, Supt.	498-5117 Cemeteries & Trees
Inspectors:	Frank Turner, Gas & Plumbing	498-5595
	Ed Marchefka, Wiring	774-5262
Pioneer Valley Regional School	District Supt. Kevin Courtney	498-2911
PVRS	Gary Snyder, Principal	498-2911
Northfield Elementary School	Geraldine Smith	498-5842
Waste Water Treatment Plant	John "Jack" Patch	498-5116
Water District East Northfield	Nfld Mt. Hermon School	498-3444 (Bills: Revell Hall)
Water District Northfield	Steve Malsch, Bob Platek	
	Marvin Holloway	(Bills: PO Box 72 Nfld)
Demolition Debris	Brattleboro Salvage	(802) 254-5133
Hospitals	Franklin Medical Center	(413) 773-0211
VNA	Visiting Nurse & Hospice	(413) 773-2070
Northfield Mountain Project & Recreation Center		(800) 859-2960